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Plaintiffs Brian Luscher, Jeffrey Figone, Carmen Gonzalez, Dana Ross, Steven Ganz, Lawyer's Choice Suites, Inc., David Rooks, Daniel Riebow, Travis Burau, Southern Office Supply, Inc., Kerry Lee Hall, Lisa Reynolds, Barry Kushner, Misti Walker, Steven Fink, David Norby, Ryan Rizzo, Charles Jenkins, Gloria Comeaux, Conrad Carty, Janet Ackerman, Craig Stephenson, Patricia Andrews, Gary Hanson, Frank Warner, Albert Sidney Crigler, Margaret Slagle, John Larch, Louise Wood, Jeff Speaect and Brigid Terry ("Plaintiffs"), individually and on behalf of a Class of all those similarly situated in the United States; Other Repealer State Plaintiffs Mina Ashkannejhad, Tyler Ayres, Felecia Blackwood, Mike Bratcher, Jeff Craig, Nikki Crawley, Warren Cutlip, Jay Erickson, Harry Garavanian, Anthony Gianasca, Steven Harrelson, John Heenan, Hope Hitchcock, D. Bruce Johnson, Jeff Johnson, Susan LaPage, George Maglaras, Donna Muccino, Kerry Murphy, Donald Oelze, Chris Seufert, Jeff Schapira, Robert Stephenson, Gary Talewsky, William J. Trentham, Walker, Warren and Watkins, LLC, and Mark Wissinger, individually and on behalf of a Class of all those similarly situated in the United States; and Non-Repealer State Plaintiff Eleanor Lewis individually and on behalf of a Class of all those similarly situated in the United States, (collectively, "Plaintiffs").

The ORS Subclass is defined as the Omitted or Other Repealer States, and the NRS Subclass is defined as the Non-Repealer States. Plaintiffs bring this action for damages and injunctive relief under state and federal antitrust, unfair competition, and consumer protection laws against the Defendants named herein, demanding trial by jury, and complaining and alleging as follows:

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

1. Plaintiffs bring this antitrust class action on behalf of individuals and entities that indirectly purchased Cathode Ray Tube Products ("CRT Products") (as further defined below), in the United States from Defendants, their predecessors, their successors, any subsidiaries or affiliates thereof, or any of their named and unnamed co-conspirators, during the period beginning at least as early as March 1, 1995 until at least November 25, 2007 (the "Class Period"). Plaintiffs allege that during the Class Period the Defendants conspired to fix, raise,

maintain and/or stabilize prices of CRT Products sold in the United States. Because of Defendants' unlawful conduct, Plaintiffs and other Class Members paid artificially inflated prices for CRT Products and have suffered antitrust injury to their business or property.

- 2. As further detailed below, beginning in at least 1995, Defendants Samsung, Philips, Daewoo, LG and Chunghwa met or talked with at least one other Defendant in order to discuss and agree upon CRT Product prices and the amount of CRT Products each would produce. Over time, these Defendants reached out to the other Defendant and co-conspirator CRT Product manufacturers, including Toshiba, Panasonic, Hitachi, BMCC, IRICO, Thomson, Mitsubishi, Thai CRT and Samtel, who then also met or talked with their competitors for the purpose of fixing the prices of CRT Products. By 1997, a formal system of multilateral and 28 bilateral meetings was in place, involving the highest levels of the Defendant corporations, all with the sole purpose of fixing the prices of CRT Products at supracompetitive levels.
- 3. Throughout the Class Period, Defendants' conspiracy was effective in moderating the normal downward pressure on prices for CRT Products caused by periods of oversupply and competition from new technologies, such as TFT-LCD and Plasma. Defendants' conspiracy resulted in unusually stable pricing and even rising prices in a very mature, declining market. As a result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, Plaintiffs and Class members paid higher prices for CRT Products than they would have paid in a competitive market.
- 4. This global conspiracy is being investigated by the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ"), and by several other international competition authorities. On February 10, 2009, a federal grand jury in San Francisco issued a two-count indictment against C.Y. Lin, the former Chairman and CEO of Defendant Chunghwa Picture Tubes, Ltd., for his participation in a global conspiracy to fix the prices of CRTs used in computer monitors and televisions. This is the first indictment to be issued in the DOJ's ongoing investigation into the CRT industry.

II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

5. This action is instituted under Section 16 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 26, to obtain injunctive relief for violations of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1, to recover

damages under state antitrust, unfair competition, and consumer protection laws, and to recover costs of suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees, for the injuries that Plaintiffs and all others similarly situated sustained as a result of the Defendants' violations of those laws.

- 6. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the federal claim under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1337. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the state law claims under 28 U.S.C. § 1367 because those claims are so related to the federal claim that they form part of the same case or controversy.
- 7. This court also has subject matter jurisdiction over the state law claims pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, which amended 28 U.S.C. § 1332 to add a new subsection (d) conferring federal jurisdiction over class actions where, as here, "any member of a class of Plaintiffs is a citizen of a state different from any Defendant and the aggregated amount in controversy exceeds \$5,000,000, exclusive of interest and costs." This Court also has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d) because "one or more members of the class is a citizen of a state within the United States and one or more of the Defendants is a citizen or subject of a foreign state."
- 8. Venue is proper in this Judicial District pursuant to Section 12 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. § 22) and 28 U.S.C. § 1391 (b), (c) and (d), because during the Class Period one or more of the Defendants resided, transacted business, was found, or had agents in, this district, and because a substantial part of the events giving rise to Plaintiffs' claims occurred in this district, and a substantial portion of the affected portion of the interstate trade and commerce described below has been carried out in this district.
- 9. Defendants conduct business throughout the United States, including this jurisdiction, and they have purposefully availed themselves of the laws of the United States, including specifically the laws of the state of California and the individual states listed herein. Defendants' products are sold in the flow of interstate commerce, and Defendants' activities had a direct, substantial and reasonably foreseeable effect on such commerce.
- 10. Defendants' conspiracy to fix the prices of CRT Products substantially affected commerce throughout the United States and in each of the states identified herein, because

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Defendants directly or through their agents, engaged in activities affecting each such state.

Defendants have purposefully availed themselves of the laws of each of the states identified herein in connection with their activities relating to the production, marketing, and sale and/or distribution of CRT Products. Defendants produced, promoted, sold, marketed, and/or distributed CRT Products, thereby purposefully profiting from access to indirect purchaser consumers in each such state. As a result of the activities described herein, Defendants:

- a. Caused damage to the residents of the states identified herein;
- b. Caused damage in each of the states identified herein by acts or omissions committed outside each such state and by regularly doing or soliciting business in each such state;
- c. Engaged in a persistent course of conduct within each state and/or derived substantial revenue from the marketing and sale of CRT Products in each such state; and
- d. Committed acts or omissions that they knew or should have known would cause damage (and, in fact, did cause damage) in each such state while regularly doing or soliciting business in each such state, engaging in other persistent courses of conduct in each such state, and/or deriving substantial revenue from the marketing and sale of CRT Products in each such state.
- 11. The conspiracy described herein adversely affected every person nationwide, and more particularly, consumers in each of the states identified in this Complaint, who indirectly purchased Defendants' and their co-conspirators' CRT Products. Defendants' conspiracy has resulted in an adverse monetary effect on indirect purchasers in each state identified herein.
- 12. Prices of CRT Products in each state identified in this Complaint were raised to supracompetitive levels by the Defendants and their co-conspirators. Defendants knew that commerce in CRT Products in each of the states identified herein would be adversely affecting by implementing their conspiracy.

III. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

13. As used herein, the term "CRT" or "CRTs" stands for "cathode ray tube(s)." A

CRT is a display technology used in televisions, computer monitors and other specialized applications. The CRT is a vacuum tube that is coated on its inside face with light sensitive phosphors. An electron gun at the back of the vacuum tube emits electron beams. When the electron beams strike the phosphors, the phosphors produce either red, green, or blue light. A system of magnetic fields inside the CRT, as well as varying voltages, directs the beams to produce the desired colors. This process is rapidly repeated several times per second to produce the desired images.

- 14. There are two types of CRTs: color display tubes ("CDTs") which are used in computer monitors and other specialized applications; and color picture tubes ("CPTs") which are used in televisions. CDTs and CPTs are collectively referred to herein as "cathode ray tubes" or "CRTs."
- 15. As used herein "CRT Products" includes (a) CRTs; and (b) products containing CRTs, such as television sets and computer monitors.
- 16. The "Class Period" or "relevant period" means the period beginning at least March 1, 1995 through at least November 25, 2007.
- 17. "Person" means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other business or legal entity.
 - 18. "OEM" means any Original Equipment Manufacturer of CRT Products.

IV. PLAINTIFFS

- 19. Plaintiff Brian Luscher is an Arizona resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Luscher indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 20. Plaintiff Jeffrey Figone is a California resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Figone indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 21. Plaintiff Carmen Gonzalez is a California resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Gonzalez indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

- 22. Plaintiff Dana Ross is a California resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Ross indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 23. Plaintiff Steven Ganz is a California resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Ganz indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 24. Plaintiff Lawyers' Choice Suites, Inc. ("Law Suites") is a corporation doing business in the District of Columbia. During the relevant period, Law Suites indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 25. Plaintiff David Rooks is a Florida resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Rooks indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 26. Plaintiff Daniel Riebow is a Hawaii resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Riebow indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint
- 27. Plaintiff Travis Burau is an Iowa resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Burau indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 28. Plaintiff Southern Office Supply, Inc. is a Kansas corporation. During the relevant period, Southern Office Supply, Inc. indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 29. Plaintiff Kerry Lee Hall is a Maine resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Hall indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 30. Plaintiff Lisa Reynolds is a Michigan resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Reynolds indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-

conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

- 31. Plaintiff David Norby is a Minnesota resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Norby indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 32. Plaintiff Ryan Rizzo is a Minnesota resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Rizzo indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 33. Plaintiff Barry Kushner is a Minnesota resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Kushner indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 34. Plaintiff Charles Jenkins is a Mississippi resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Jenkins indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 35. Plaintiff Misti Walker is a Nebraska resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Walker indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 36. Plaintiff Steven Fink is a Nebraska resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Fink indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 37. Plaintiff Gloria Comeaux is a Nevada resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Comeaux indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 38. Plaintiff Craig Stephenson is a New Mexico resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Stephenson indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 39. Plaintiff Conrad Carty is a New York resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Carty indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-

conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

- 40. Plaintiff Janet Ackerman is a New York resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Ackerman indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 41. Plaintiff Louise Wood is a New York resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Wood indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and had been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 42. Plaintiff Patricia Andrews is a North Carolina resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Andrews indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 43. Plaintiff Gary Hanson is a North Dakota resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Hanson indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 44. Plaintiff Jeff Speaect is a South Dakota resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Speaect indirectly purchased CRT products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 45. Plaintiff Frank Warner is a Tennessee resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Warner indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 46. Plaintiff Albert Sidney Crigler is a Tennessee resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Crigler indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 47. Plaintiff Margaret Slagle is a Vermont resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Slagle indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 48. Plaintiff John Larch is a West Virginia resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Larch indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-

1	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
2	49. Plaintiff Brigid Terry is a Wisconsin resident. During the relevant period, Ms.
3	Terry indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
4	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
5	50. Plaintiff Nikki Crawley is an Arkansas resident. During the relevant period, Ms.
6	Crawley indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
7	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
8	51. Plaintiff Steven Harrelson is an Arkansas resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
9	Harrelson indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
10	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
11	52. Plaintiff William J. Trentham is an Arkansas resident. During the relevant period,
12	Mr. Trentham indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their
13	co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this
14	Complaint.
15	53. Plaintiff Warren Cutlip is a Massachusetts resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
16	Cutlip indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
17	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
18	54. Plaintiff Harry Garavanian is a Massachusetts resident. During the relevant period,
19	Mr. Garavanian indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their
20	co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this
21	Complaint.
22	55. Plaintiff Anthony Gianasca is a Massachusetts resident. During the relevant period,
23	Mr. Gianasca indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their
24	co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this
25	Complaint.
26	56. Plaintiff Hope Hitchcock is a Massachusetts resident. During the relevant period,
27	Ms. Hitchcock indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their
28	co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this

1	Complaint.
2	57. Plaintiff Gary Talewsky is a Massachusetts resident. During the relevant period,
3	Mr. Talewsky indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their
4	co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this
5	Complaint.
6	58. Plaintiff Mina Ashkannejhad is a Missouri resident. During the relevant period,
7	Ms. Ashkannejhad indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or
8	their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this
9	Complaint.
10	59. Plaintiff Mike Bratcher is a Missouri resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
11	Bratcher indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
12	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
13	60. Plaintiff Robert Stephenson is a Missouri resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
14	Stephenson indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
15	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
16	61. Plaintiff Jay Erickson is a Montana resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
17	Erickson indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
18	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
19	62. Plaintiff John Heenan is a Montana resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
20	Heenan indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
21	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
22	63. Plaintiff Donald Oelze is a Montana resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
23	Oelze indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
24	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
25	64. Plaintiff Mark Wissinger is a Montana resident. During the relevant period, Mr.
26	Wissinger indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-
27	conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
28	65. Plaintiff Jeff Craig is a New Hampshire resident. During the relevant period, Mr.

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- 75. Plaintiff Felecia Blackwood is a South Carolina resident. During the relevant period, Ms. Blackwood indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 76. Plaintiff Jeff Johnson is a South Carolina resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Johnson indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their coconspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
- 49.77. Plaintiff Tyler Ayres is a Utah resident. During the relevant period, Mr. Ayres indirectly purchased CRT Products from one or more of the Defendants or their co-conspirators and has been injured by reason of the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

V. <u>DEFENDANTS</u>

LG Electronics Entities

50.78. Defendant LG Electronics, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of Korea with its principal place of business located at LG Twin Towers, 20 Yeouido-dong, Yeoungdeungpo-gu, Seoul 150-721, South Korea. LG Electronics, Inc. is a \$48.5 billion global force in consumer electronics, home appliances and mobile communications, which established its first overseas branch office in New York in 1968. The company's name was changed from GoldStar Communications to LG Electronics, Inc. in 1995, the year in which it also acquired Zenith in the United States. In 2001, LG Electronics, Inc. transferred its CRT business to a 50/50 CRT joint venture with Defendant Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. a/k/a Royal Philips Electronics N.V. forming Defendant LG.Philips Displays (n/k/a LP Displays International, Ltd.). During the Class Period, LG Electronics, Inc. manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

51.79. Defendant LG Electronics U.S.A., Inc. ("LGEUSA") is a Delaware corporation

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with its principal place of business located at 1000 Sylvan Avenue, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632. LG Electronics USA, Inc. is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant LG Electronics, Inc. During the class period, LG Electronics U.S.A., Inc. manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant LG Electronics, Inc. dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of LGEUSA relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

52.80. Defendant LG Electronics Taiwan Taipei Co., Ltd. ("LGETT") is a Taiwanese entity with its principal place of business located at 7F, No.47, Lane3, Jihu Road, NeiHu District, Taipei City, Taiwan. LGETT is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant LG Electronics, Inc. During the class period, LGETT manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant LG Electronics, Inc. dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of LGETT relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

53.81. Defendants LG Electronics, Inc., LGEUSA, and LGETT are collectively referred to herein as "LG."

Philips Entities

54.82. Defendant Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. a/k/a Royal Philips Electronics N.V. ("Royal Philips") is a Dutch company with its principal place of business located at Amstelplein 2, Breitner Center, 1070 MX Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Royal Philips, founded in 1891, is one of the world's largest electronics companies, with 160,900 employees located in over 60 countries. Royal Philips had sole ownership of its CRT business until 2001. In 2001, Royal Philips transferred its CRT business to a 50/50 CRT joint venture with defendant LG Electronics, Inc. forming Defendant LG.Philips Displays (n/k/a LP Displays International, Ltd.). In December 2005, as a result of increased pressure on demand and prices for CRT Products, Royal Philips wrote off the remaining book value of 126 million Euros of its investment and said it would not inject further capital into the joint venture. During the Class Period, Royal Philips

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manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

55.83. Defendant Philips Electronics North America Corporation ("PENAC") is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located at 1251 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020-1104. Philips Electronics NA is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Royal Philips. During the Class Period, Philips Electronics NA manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Royal Philips dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of PENAC relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

56.84. Defendant Philips Electronics Industries (Taiwan), Ltd. ("Philips Electronics Taiwan") is a Taiwanese company with its principal place of business located at 15F 3-1 Yuanqu Street, Nangang District, Taipei, Taiwan. Philips Electronics Taiwan is a subsidiary of Defendant Royal Philips. During the Class Period, Philips Electronics Taiwan manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Royal Philips dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Philips Electronics Taiwan relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

57.85. Defendant Philips da Amazonia Industria Electronica Ltda. ("Philips Brazil") is a Brazilian company with its principal place of business located at Av Torquato Tapajos 2236, 1 andar (parte 1), Flores, Manaus, AM 39048-660, Brazil. Philips Brazil is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Royal Philips. During the Class Period, Philips Brazil manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Royal Philips dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Philips Brazil relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

58.86. Defendants Royal Philips, PENAC, Philips Electronics Taiwan, and Philips Brazil are collectively referred to herein as "Philips."

LP Displays

59.87. Defendant LP Displays International, Ltd. f/k/a LG Philips Displays ("LP Displays") was created in 2001 as a 50/50 joint venture between Defendants LG Electronics, Inc. and Royal Philips Electronics of The Netherlands. In March 2007, LP Displays became an independent company organized under the laws of Hong Kong with its principal place of business located at Corporate Communications, 6th Floor, ING Tower, 308 Des Voeux Road Central, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong. LP Displays is a leading supplier of CRTs for use in television sets and computer monitors with annual sales for 2006 of over \$2 billion, and a market share of 27%. LP Displays announced in March 2007 that Royal Philips and LG Electronics would cede control over the company and the shares would be owned by financial institutions and private equity firms. During the Class Period, LP Displays manufactured, marketed, sold and distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

Samsung Entities

60.88. Defendant Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. ("SEC") is South Korean company with its principal place of business located at Samsung Main Building, 250, 2-ga, Taepyong-ro, Junggu, Seoul 100-742, South Korea. During the Class Period, SEC manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

61.89. Defendant Samsung Electronics America, Inc. ("SEAI") is a New York corporation with its principal place of business located at 105 Challenger Road, 6th Floor, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660. SEAI is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of defendant SEC. During the Class Period, SEAI manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant SEC dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of SEAI relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

62.90. Defendant Samsung SDI Co., Ltd. f/k/a Samsung Display Device Co., Ltd. ("Samsung SDI"), is a South Korean company with its principal place of business located at 15th

– 18th Floor, Samsung Life Insurance Building, 150, 2-ga, Taepyong-ro, Jung-gu, Seoul, 100-716, South Korea. Samsung SDI is a public company. SEC is a major shareholder holding almost 20 percent of the stock. Founded in 1970, Samsung SDI claims to be the world's leading company in the display and energy businesses, with 28,000 employees and facilities in 18 countries. In 2002, Samsung SDI held a 34.3% worldwide market share in the market for CRTs; more than another other producer. Samsung SDI has offices in Chicago and San Diego. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant SEC dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

63.91. Defendant Samsung SDI America, Inc. ("Samsung SDI America") is a California corporation with its principal place of business located at 3333 Michelson Drive, Suite 700, Irvine, California. Samsung SDI America is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Samsung SDI. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI America manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendants SEC and Samsung SDI dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI America relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

64.92. Defendant Samsung SDI Mexico S.A. de C.V. ("Samsung SDI Mexico") is a Mexican company with its principal place of business located at Blvd. Los Olivos, No.21014, Parque Industrial El Florido, Tijuana, B.C. Mexico. Samsung SDI Mexico is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Samsung SDI. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI Mexico manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products to customers, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, throughout the United States. Defendants SEC and Samsung SDI dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI Mexico relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

65.93. Defendant Samsung SDI Brasil Ltda. ("Samsung SDI Brazil") is a Brazilian company with its principal place of business located at Av. Eixo Norte Sul, S/N, Distrito

Industrial, 69088-480 Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil. Samsung SDI Brazil is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Samsung SDI. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI Brazil manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products to customers, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, throughout the United States. Defendants SEC and Samsung SDI dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI Brazil relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

66.94.66. Defendant Shenzhen Samsung SDI Co., Ltd. ("Samsung SDI Shenzhen") is a Chinese company with its principal place of business located at Huanggang Bei Lu, Futian Gu, Shenzhen, China. Samsung SDI Shenzhen is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Samsung SDI. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI Shenzhen manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendants SEC and Samsung SDI dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI Shenzhen relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

67.95. Defendant Tianjin Samsung SDI Co., Ltd. ("Samsung SDI Tianjin") is a Chinese company with its principal place of business located at Developing Zone of Yi-Xian Park, Wuqing County, Tianjin, China. Samsung SDI Tianjin is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Samsung SDI. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI Tianjin manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendants SEC and Samsung SDI dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI Tianjin relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

68.96. Defendant Samsung SDI (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. ("Samsung SDI Malaysia") is a Malaysian company with its principal place of business located at Lot 635 & 660, Kawasan Perindustrian, Tuanku, Jaafar, 71450 Sungai Gadut, Negeri Semblian Darul Khusus, Malaysia. Samsung SDI Malaysia is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Samsung SDI Co., Ltd. During the Class Period, Samsung SDI Malaysia manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to

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customers throughout the United States. Defendants SEC and Samsung SDI dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Samsung SDI Malaysia relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

69.97. Defendants SEC, SEAI, Samsung SDI, Samsung SDI America, Samsung SDI Mexico, Samsung SDI Brazil, Samsung SDI Shenzhen, Samsung SDI Tianjin, and Samsung SDI Malaysia are referred to collectively herein as "Samsung."

Toshiba Entities

70.98. Defendant Toshiba Corporation is a Japanese corporation with its principal place of business at 1-1, Shibaura 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-8001, Japan. In 2001, Toshiba Corporation held a 5-10 % worldwide market share for CRTs used in televisions and computer monitors. In December 1995, Toshiba Corporation partnered with Orion Electric Company (n/k/a Daewoo Electronics Corporation) and two other non-defendant entities to form P.T. Tosummit Electronic Devices Indonesia ("TEDI") in Indonesia. TEDI was projected to have an annual production capacity of 2.3 million CRTs by 1999. In 2002, Toshiba Corporation entered into a joint venture with Defendant Panasonic Corporation called MT Picture Display Co., Ltd. in which the entities consolidated their CRT businesses. During the Class Period, Toshiba Corporation manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

71.99. Defendant Toshiba America, Inc. ("Toshiba America") is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located at 1251 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 4110, New York, NY 10020. Toshiba America is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary of defendant Toshiba Corporation. During the Class Period, Toshiba America sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Toshiba Corporation dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Toshiba America relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.

72.100. Defendant Toshiba America Consumer Products, LLC ("TACP") is headquartered in 82 Totawa Rd., Wayne, New Jersey 07470-3114. TACP is a wholly owned and

1	controlled subsidiary of Defendant Toshiba Corporation through Toshiba America. During the
2	Class Period, TACP sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through
3	its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Toshiba
4	Corporation dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of TACP relating to the
5	antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
6	73.101. Defendant Toshiba America Information Systems, Inc. ("TAIP") is a
7	California corporation with its principal place of business located at 9740 Irvine Blvd., Irvine,
8	California 92718. TAIP is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary of Toshiba Corporation
9	through Toshiba America, Inc. During the Class Period, TAIP manufactured, marketed, sold
10	and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates,
11	to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Toshiba Corporation dominated and
12	controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of TAIP relating to the antitrust violations alleged in
13	this Complaint.
14	74.102. Defendant Toshiba America Electronics Components, Inc. ("TAEC") is a
15	California corporation with its principal place of business located at 9775 Toledo Way, Irvine,
16	California 92618, and 19000 MacArthur Boulevard, Suite 400, Irvine, California 92612. TAEC
17	is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary of Toshiba America, Inc., which is a holding
18	company for defendant Toshiba Corporation. TAEC is currently the North American sales and
19	marketing representative for defendant MTPD. Before MTPD's formation in 2003, TAEC was
20	the North American engineering, manufacturing, marketing and sales arm of defendant Toshiba
21	Corporation. During the Class Period, TAEC manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed
22	CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers
23	throughout the United States. Defendant Toshiba Corporation dominated and controlled the
24	finances, policies, and affairs of TAEC relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this
25	Complaint.
26	75.103. Toshiba Display Devices (Thailand) Company, Ltd. ("TDDT") was a Thai
27	company with its principal place of business located at 142 Moo 5 Bangkadi Industrial Estate,
28	Tivanon Road, Pathum Thani, Thailand 12000. TDDT was a wholly-owned and controlled

1	subsidiary of defendant Toshiba Corporation. Toshiba Corporation transferred Toshiba Thailand
2	to its CRT joint venture with Panasonic Corporation, MT Picture Display Co., Ltd., in 2003. It
3	was re-named as MT Picture Display (Thailand) Co., Ltd. and operated as a wholly-owned
4	subsidiary of MT Picture Display until its closure in 2007. During the Class Period, TDDT
5	manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly
6	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant
7	Toshiba Corporation dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of TDDT
8	relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
9	76.104. P.T. Tosummit Electronic Devices Indonesia ("TEDI") was a CRT joint
10	venture formed by Toshiba Corporation, Orion Electric Company and two other non-defendant
11	entities in December 1995. TEDI's principal place of business was located in Indonesia. TEDI
12	was projected to have an annual production capacity of 2.3 million CRTs by 1999. In 2003,
13	TEDI was transferred to MT Picture Display Co., Ltd. and its name was changed to PT.MT
14	Picture Display Indonesia. During the Class Period, TEDI manufactured, marketed, sold and/or
15	distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to
16	customers throughout the United States. Defendant Toshiba Corporation dominated and
17	controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of TEDI relating to the antitrust violations alleged in
18	this Complaint.
19	77.105. Defendants Toshiba Corporation, Toshiba America, Inc., TACP, TAIP,
20	TAEC, TDDT and TEDI are referred to collectively herein as "Toshiba."
21	Panasonic Entities
22	78.106. Defendant Panasonic Corporation, which was at all times during the Class
23	Period known as Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. and only became Panasonic Corporation
24	on October 1, 2008, is a Japanese entity with its principal place of business located at 1006 Oaza
25	Kadoma, Kadoma-shi, Osaka 571-8501, Japan. In 2002, Panasonic Corporation entered into a
26	CRT joint venture with defendant Toshiba forming defendant MT Picture Display Co., Ltd.
27	("MTPD"). Panasonic Corporation was the majority owner with 64.5 percent. On April 3, 2007,
28	Panasonic Corporation purchased the remaining 35.5 percent stake in the joint venture, making

1	MTPD a wholly-owned subsidiary of Panasonic Corporation. In 2005, the Panasonic brand had
2	the highest CRT Product revenue in Japan. During the Class Period, Panasonic Corporation
3	manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly
4	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.
5	79.107. Defendant Panasonic Corporation of North America ("Panasonic NA") is a
6	Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located at One Panasonic Way,
7	Secaucus, New Jersey. Panasonic NA is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant
8	Panasonic Corporation. During the Class Period, Panasonic NA manufactured, marketed, sold
9	and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates,
10	to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Panasonic Corporation dominated and
11	controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Panasonic NA relating to the antitrust violations
12	alleged in this Complaint.
13	80.108. Matsushita Electronic Corporation (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd. ("Matsushita
14	Malaysia") was a Malaysian company with its principal place of business located at Lot 1,
15	Persiaran Tengku Ampuan Section 21, Shah Alam Industrial Site, Shah Alam, Malaysia 40000.
16	Matsushita Malaysia was a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of Defendant Panasonic
17	Corporation. Panasonic Corporation transferred Matsushita Malaysia to its CRT joint venture
18	with Toshiba Corporation, MT Picture Display Co., Ltd., in 2003. It was re-named as MT Picture
19	Display (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. and operated as a wholly-owned subsidiary of MT Picture Display
20	until its closure in 2006. During the Class Period, Matsushita Malaysia manufactured, marketed,
21	sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or
22	affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant Panasonic Corporation
23	dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Matsushita Malaysia relating to
24	the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.
25	81.109. Defendants Panasonic Corporation, Panasonic NA and Matsushita
26	Malaysia are collectively referred to herein as "Panasonic."
27	82.110. Defendant MT Picture Display Co., Ltd. ("MTPD") was established as a
28	CRT joint venture between defendants Panasonic Corporation and Toshiba. MTPD is a Japanese

1	entity with its principal place of business located at 1-1, Saiwai-cho, Takatsuki-shi, Osaka 569-
2	1193, Japan. On April 3, 2007, defendant Panasonic Corporation purchased the remaining stake
3	in MTPD, making it a wholly-owned subsidiary, and renaming it MT Picture Display Co., Ltd.
4	During the Class Period, MTPD manufactured, sold and distributed CRT Products, either
5	directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United
6	States.
7	83.111. Defendant Beijing-Matsushita Color CRT Company, Ltd. ("BMCC") is a
8	Chinese company with its principal place of business located at No. 9, Jiuxianqiao N. Rd.,
9	Dashanzi Chaoyang District, Beijing, China. BMCC is a joint venture company, 50% of which is
10	held by defendant MTPD. The other 50% is held by Beijing Orient Electronics (Group) Co.,
11	Ltd., China National Electronics Import & Export Beijing Company (a China state-owned
12	enterprise), and Beijing Yayunchun Branch of the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China,
13	Ltd. (a China state-owned enterprise). Formed in 1987, BMCC was Matsushita's (n/k/a
14	Panasonic) first CRT manufacturing facility in China. BMCC is the second largest producer of
15	CRTs in China. During the Class Period, BMCC manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed
16	CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers
17	throughout the United States.
18	Hitachi Entities
19	84.112. Defendant Hitachi, Ltd. is a Japanese company with its principal place of
20	business located at 6-1 Marunouchi Center Building 13F, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8280, Japan.
21	Hitachi Ltd. is the parent company for the Hitachi brand of CRT Products. In 1996, Hitachi,
22	Ltd.'s worldwide market share for color CRTs was 20 percent. During the Class Period, Hitachi
23	Ltd. manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly
24	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.
25	85.113. Hitachi Displays, Ltd. ("Hitachi Displays") is a Japanese company with its
26	principal place of business located at AKS Building, 3 Kandaneribeicho 3, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo,
27	101-0022, Japan. Hitachi Displays, Ltd. was originally established as Mobara Works of Hitachi,
28	Ltd. in Mobara City, Japan, in 1943. In 2002, all the departments of planning, development,

1	design, manufacturing and sales concerned with the display business of Hitachi, Ltd. were spun	
2	off to create a separate company called Hitachi Displays, Ltd. During the Class Period, Hitachi	
3	Displays, Ltd. manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or	
4	indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
5	Defendant Hitachi, Ltd. dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Hitachi	
6	Displays relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.	
7	86.114. Hitachi Electronic Devices (USA), Inc. ("HEDUS") is a Delaware	
8	corporation with its principal place of business located as 1000 Hurricane Shoals Road, Ste. D-	
9	100, Lawrenceville, GA 30043. HEDUS is a subsidiary of defendants Hitachi Displays, Ltd. and	
10	Hitachi, Ltd. During the Class Period, HEDUS manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed	
11	CRT Products to customers, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to	
12	customers throughout the United States. Defendant Hitachi, Ltd. and Hitachi Displays, Ltd.	
13	dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of HEDUS relating to the antitrust	
14	violations alleged in this Complaint.	
15	87.115. Defendant Hitachi America, Ltd. ("Hitachi America") is a New York	
16	company with its principal place of business located at 2000 Sierra Point Parkway, Brisbane,	
17	California 94005. Hitachi America is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of defendant	
18	Hitachi, Ltd. During the Class Period, Hitachi America sold and/or distributed CRT Products,	
19	either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the	
20	United States. Defendant Hitachi, Ltd. dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and	
21	affairs of Hitachi America relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.	
22	88.116. Defendant Hitachi Asia, Ltd. ("Hitachi Asia") is a Singapore company with	
23	its principal place of business located at 16 Collyer Quay, #20-00 Hitachi Tower, Singapore,	
24	049318. Hitachi Asia is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary of defendant Hitachi, Ltd.	
25	During the Class Period, Hitachi Asia manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT	
26	Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers	
27	throughout the United States. Defendant Hitachi, Ltd. dominated and controlled the finances,	
28	policies, and affairs of Hitachi Asia relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.	

1	89.117. Shenzhen SEG Hitachi Color Display Devices, Ltd. ("Hitachi Shenzhen")	
2	was a Chinese company with its principal place of business located at 5001 Huanggang Road,	
3	Futian District, Shenzhen 518035, China. Hitachi Displays, Ltd. owned at least a 25% interest in	
4	Hitachi Shenzhen until November 8, 2007 (which was coincidentally around the time that the	
5	government investigations into the CRT industry began). Thus, Hitachi Shenzhen was a member	
6	of the Hitachi corporate group for all but the last two weeks of the Class Period. During the Class	
7	Period, Hitachi Shenzhen manufactured, sold and distributed CRT Products, either directly or	
8	indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
9	Defendants Hitachi, Ltd. and Hitachi Displays dominated and controlled the finances, policies,	
10	and affairs of Hitachi Shenzhen relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.	
11	90.118. Defendants Hitachi Ltd., Hitachi Displays, Hitachi America, HEDUS,	
12	Hitachi Asia, and Hitachi Shenzhen are collectively referred to herein as "Hitachi."	
13	<u>Tatung</u>	
14	91.119. Defendant Tatung Company of America, Inc. ("Tatung America") is a	
15	California corporation with its principal place of business located at 2850 El Presidio Street,	
16	Long Beach, California. Tatung America is a subsidiary of Tatung Company. Currently, Tatung	
17	Company owns approximately half of Tatung America. The other half used to be owned by Lun	
18	Kuan Lin, the daughter of Tatung Company's former Chairman, T.S. Lin. Following Lun Kuan	
19	Lin's recent death, her share recently passed to her two children. During the Class Period, Tatung	
20	America manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or	
21	indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
22	Chunghwa Entities	
23	92.120. Defendant Chunghwa Picture Tubes Ltd. ("CPT") is a Taiwanese company	
24	with its principal place of business located at 1127 Heping Road, Bade City, Taoyuan, Taiwan.	
25	CPT was founded in 1971 by Tatung Company. Throughout the majority of the Class Period,	
26	Tatung Company owned a substantial share in CPT. Although Tatung Company's holdings in	
27	CPT have fallen over time, it retains substantial control over CPT's operations. Tatung Company	
28	lists Chunghwa on its website as one of its "global subsidiaries." And the Chairman of CPT,	

1	Weishan Lin, is also the Chairman and General Manager of Tatung Company. CPT is a leading	
2	manufacturer of CRTs. During the Class Period, CPT manufactured, marketed, sold and/or	
3	distributed CRT Products, both directly and through its wholly-owned and controlled	
4	subsidiaries in Malaysia, China, and Scotland, to customers throughout the United States.	
5	93.121. Defendant Chunghwa Picture Tubes (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. ("Chunghwa	
6	Malaysia") is a Malaysian company with its principal place of business located at Lot 1, Subang	
7	Hi-Tech Industrial Park, Batu Tiga, 4000 Shah Alam, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia.	
8	Chunghwa Malaysia a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of defendant Chunghwa Picture	
9	Tubes. Chunghwa Malaysia is a leading worldwide supplier of CRTs. During the Class Period,	
10	Chunghwa Malaysia manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either	
11	directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United	
12	States. Defendant CPT dominated and controlled the finances, policies, and affairs of Chunghwa	
13	Malaysia relating to the antitrust violations alleged in this Complaint.	
14	94.122. Defendants CPT and Chunghwa Malaysia are collectively referred to	
15	herein as "Chunghwa."	
16	IRICO Entities	
17	95.123. Defendant IRICO Group Corporation ("IGC") is a Chinese corporation	
18	with its principal place of business located at 1 Caihong Rd., Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province	
19	712021. IGC is the parent company for multiple subsidiaries engaged in the manufacture,	
20	marketing, sale and/or distribution of CRT Products. During the Class Period, IGC	
21	manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly	
22	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
23	96.124. Defendant IRICO Display Devices Co., Ltd. ("IDDC") is a Chinese	
24	company with its principal place of business located at No. 16, Fenghui South Road West,	
25	District High-tech Development Zone, Xi'an, SXI 710075. IDDC is a partially-owned subsidiary	
26	of defendant IGC. In 2006, IDDC was China's top CRT maker. During the Class Period, IDDC	
27	manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly	
28	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant IGC	

1	dominated and controlled the finances, policies and affairs of IDDC relating to the antitrust	
2	violations alleged in this Complaint.	
3	97.125. Defendant IRICO Group Electronics Co., Ltd. ("IGE") is a Chinese	
$_4$	company with its principal place of business located at 1 Caihong Rd., Xianyang City, Shaanxi	
5	Province 712021. IGE is owned by Defendant IGC. According to its website, IGE was the first	
6	CRT manufacturer in China and one of the leading global manufacturers of CRTs. Their website	
7	also claims that in 2003, they were the largest CRT manufacturer in China in terms of production	
8	and sales volume, sales revenue and aggregated profit and taxation. During the Class Period, IGE	
9	manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly	
10	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States. Defendant IGC	
11	dominated and controlled the finances, policies and affairs of IGE relating to the antitrust	
12	violations alleged in this Complaint.	
13	98.126. Defendants IGC, IDDC, and IGE are collectively referred to herein as	
14	"IRICO."	
15	Thai CRT	
16	99.127. Defendant Thai CRT Company, Ltd. ("Thai CRT") is a Thai company with	
17	its principal place of business located at 1/F Siam Cement Road, Bangsue Dusit, Bangkok,	
18	Thailand. Thai CRT is a subsidiary of Siam Cement Group. It was established in 1986 as	
19	Thailand's first manufacturer of CRTs for color televisions. During the Class Period, Thai CRT	
20	manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly	
21	through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
22	<u>Samtel</u>	
23	100.128. Defendant Samtel Color, Ltd. ("Samtel") is an Indian company with its	
24	principal place of business located at 52, Community Centre, New Friends Colony, New Delhi-	
25	110065. Samtel's market share for CRTs sold in India is approximately 40%. Samtel is India's	
26	largest exporter of CRTs. Samtel has gained safety approvals from the United States, Canada,	
27	Germany and Great Britain for its CRT Products. During the Class Period, Samtel manufactured,	
28	marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its	

subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

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101.129. During the Class Period, Orion Electric Company ("Orion") was a major manufacturer of CRTs. Orion was a Korean corporation which filed for bankruptcy in 2004. In 1995, approximately 85% of Orion's \$1 billion in sales was attributed to CRTs. Orion was involved in CRT Product sales and manufacturing joint ventures and had subsidiaries all over the world, including South Africa, France, Indonesia, Mexico, and the United States. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that Orion was wholly owned by the "Daewoo Group." The Daewoo Group included Daewoo Electronics Company, Ltd., Daewoo Telecom Company, Daewoo Corporation, and Orion Electric Components Company. The Daewoo Group was dismantled in or around 1999. Daewoo Electronics and Orion were 50/50 joint venture partners in an entity called Daewoo-Orion Société Anonyme ("DOSA") in France. As of approximately 1996, DOSA produced 1.2 million CRTs annually. Daewoo sold DOSA's CRT business in or around 2004. In December 1995, Orion partnered with defendant Toshiba Corporation and two other nondefendant entities to form P.T. Tosummit Electronic Devices Indonesia ("TEDI") in Indonesia. TEDI was projected to have an annual production capacity of 2.3 million CRTs by 1999. During the Class Period, Orion, Daewoo Electronics, TEDI and DOSA manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through their subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

130. Daewoo Electronics, Orion, and DOSA are collectively referred to herein as "Daewoo."

Thomson Entities

131. Defendant Thomson SA (n/k/a Technicolor SA) ("Thomson SA") is a French corporation with its principal place of business located at 5 Rue Jeanne d'Arc 92130 Issy-les-Moulineaux, France. Thomson SA, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Thomson Consumer Electronics Corporation, was a major manufacturer of CRTs for the United States market, with plants located in the United States, Mexico, China and Europe. Thomson SA sold its CRTs internally to its television-manufacturing division, which had plants in the United States and

1	Mexico, and to other television manufacturers in the United States and elsewhere. Thomson	
2	SA's television division also purchased CRTs from other CRT manufacturers. Thomson SA's	
3	CRT televisions were sold in the United States to consumers under the RCA brand. In November	
4	2003, Thomson SA sold its television division to a joint venture it formed with Chinese	
5	company, TCL Corporation. The joint venture was called TCL-Thomson Electronics	
6	Corporation ("TCL-Thomson"). TCL took a 67 percent stake in the joint venture, with Thomson	
7	SA holding the rest of the shares. As part of the joint venture agreement, the parties agreed that	
8	televisions made by TCL-Thomson would be marketed under the TCL brand in Asia and the	
9	Thomson and RCA brands in Europe and North America, respectively. In July 2005, Thomson	
10	SA sold its CRT business to Videocon. During the Class Period, Thomson SA manufactured,	
11	marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its	
12	subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
13	132. Defendant Thomson Consumer Electronics, Inc. (n/k/a Technicolor USA, Inc.)	
14	("Thomson Consumer Electronics") is a U.S. corporation with its principal place of business	
15	located at 10330 N Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46290-1024. Thomson Consumer Electronics	
16	is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomson SA. Thomson Consumer Electronics was a major	
17	manufacturer of CRTs for the United States market, with plants located in Scranton, PA, Marion,	
18	IN and Mexicali, Mexico. The United States-based plants were closed in 2004. Thomson	
19	Consumer Electronics sold its CRTs internally to its own television-manufacturing division,	
20	which had plants in the United States and Mexico, and to other television manufacturers in the	
21	<u>United States and elsewhere. Thomson's CRT televisions were sold in the United States to</u>	
22	<u>United States consumers under the RCA brand. Thomson Consumer Electronic's television</u>	
23	business was sold to TCL-Thomson in 2003, and its CRT business was sold to Videocon	
24	Industries, Ltd. in 2005. During the Class Period, Thomson Consumer Electronics manufactured,	
25	marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its	
26	subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.	
27	133. Thomson SA and Thomson Consumer Electronics are collectively referred to	
28	herein as "Thomson."	

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with its principal place of business located at 14 Kms Stone, Aurangabad-Paithan Road,

Chitegaon, Tq. Paithan, Dist. Aurangabad - 431 105, India. In July 2005, Videocon acquired

Thomson's CRT businesses, which included manufacturing facilities in Poland, Italy, Mexico,
and China. Videocon manufactured its CRTs for the United States market in Thomson's former

CRT plants in Mexicali, Mexico and China. Videocon sold these CRTs primarily to the joint
venture, TCL-Thomson, which manufactured CRT televisions for the U.S. market in Juarez,
Mexico, and which it sold under the RCA brand. During the Class Period, Videocon
manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly
through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

103.135. All of the above-listed defendants are collectively referred to herein as "Defendants."

VI. AGENTS AND CO-CONSPIRATORS

104.136. Various other persons, firms and corporations, some of whom are unknown to the Plaintiffs at this time and therefore are not named as Defendants herein, but including the known entities described below, have participated as co-conspirators with Defendants and have performed acts and made statements in furtherance of the conspiracy and/or in furtherance of the anticompetitive, unfair or deceptive conduct. Plaintiffs reserve the right to name some or all of these Persons as Defendants at a later date.

Thomson Entities

105. Defendant Thomson SA (n/k/a Technicolor SA) ("Thomson SA") is a French corporation with its principal place of business located at 5 Rue Jeanne d'Arc 92130 Issy-les-Moulineaux, France. Thomson SA, through its wholly owned subsidiary Thomson Consumer-Electronics Corporation, was a major manufacturer of CRTs for the United States market, with plants located in the United States, Mexico, China and Europe. Thomson SA sold its CRTs-internally to its television-manufacturing division, which had plants in the United States and Mexico, and to other television manufacturers in the United States and elsewhere. Thomson

1	SA's television division also purchased CRTs from other CRT manufacturers. Thomson SA's
2	CRT televisions were sold in the United States to consumers under the RCA brand. In November
3	2003, Thomson SA sold its television division to a joint venture it formed with Chinese
4	company, TCL Corporation. The joint venture was called TCL-Thomson Electronics
5	Corporation ("TCL-Thomson"). TCL took a 67 percent stake in the joint venture, with Thomson
6	SA holding the rest of the shares. As part of the joint venture agreement, the parties agreed that
7	televisions made by TCL-Thomson would be marketed under the TCL brand in Asia and the
8	Thomson and RCA brands in Europe and North America, respectively. In July 2005, Thomson
9	SA sold its CRT business to Videocon. During the Class Period, Thomson SA manufactured,
10	marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its-
11	subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.
12	106. Defendant Thomson Consumer Electronics, Inc. (n/k/a Technicolor USA, Inc.)
13	("Thomson Consumer Electronics") is a U.S. corporation with its principal place of business
14	located at 10330 N Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46290-1024. Thomson Consumer Electronics
15	is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomson SA. Thomson Consumer Electronics was a major-
16	manufacturer of CRTs for the United States market, with plants located in Scranton, PA, Marion
17	IN and Mexicali, Mexico. The United States-based plants were closed in 2004. Thomson-
18	Consumer Electronics sold its CRTs internally to its own television-manufacturing division,
19	which had plants in the United States and Mexico, and to other television manufacturers in the
20	United States and elsewhere. Thomson's CRT televisions were sold in the United States to
21	United States consumers under the RCA brand. Thomson Consumer Electronic's television
22	business was sold to TCL-Thomson in 2003, and its CRT business was sold to Videocon-
23	Industries, Ltd. in 2005. During the Class Period, Thomson Consumer Electronics manufactured,
24	marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its-
25	subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.
26	107. Thomson SA and Thomson Consumer Electronics are collectively referred to
27	herein as "Thomson."
28	<u>Videocon</u>

137.__Defendant Videocon Industries, Ltd. ("Videocon") is an Indian corporation with its principal place of business located at 14 Kms Stone, Aurangabad Paithan Road, Chitegaon, Tq. Paithan, Dist. Aurangabad – 431-105, India. In July 2005, Videocon acquired Thomson's CRT businesses, which included manufacturing facilities in Poland, Italy, Mexico, and China. Videocon manufactured its CRTs for the United States market in Thomson's former CRT plants in Mexicali, Mexico and China. Videocon sold these CRTs primarily to the joint venture, TCL-Thomson, which manufactured CRT televisions for the U.S. market in Juarez, Mexico, and which it sold under the RCA brand. During the Class Period, Videocon manufactured, marketed, sold and/or distributed CRT Products, either directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries or affiliates, to customers throughout the United States.

Mitsubishi Entities

108.138. Co-conspirator Mitsubishi Electric Corporation ("Mitsubishi Electric Japan") is a Japanese corporation located at Building, 2-7-3, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8310, Japan. Mitsubishi Electric Japan and its subsidiaries manufactured CRTs in factories located in Japan, Taiwan, Mexico and Canada for sale in the United States. These CRTs were sold internally to Mitsubishi's television and monitor manufacturing division and to other television and monitor manufacturers in the U.S. and elsewhere. Mitsubishi's television and monitor division also purchased CRTs from other CRT manufacturers. During the Class Period, Mitsubishi Electric Japan manufactured, marketed, sold and distributed CRT Products in the United States.

109.139. Co-conspirator Mitsubishi Electric & Electronics USA, Inc. ("Mitsubishi Electric USA") is a United States corporation located at 5665 Plaza Drive, Cypress, CA 90630. Mitsubishi Electric USA is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi Electric Japan. Mitsubishi Electric USA manufactured CRTs for the United States market in plants located in Mexicali, Mexico and Ontario, Canada. Mitsubishi Electric USA sold its CRTs internally to its television and monitor manufacturing division and to other television and monitor manufacturers in the U.S. and elsewhere. Mitsubishi's television and monitor division also purchased CRTs from other CRT manufacturers. During the Class Period, Mitsubishi Electric USA manufactured,

1	marketed, sold and distributed CRT Products in the United States.		
2	110.140. Co-conspirator Mitsubishi Digital Electronics Americas, Inc. ("Mitsubishi		
3	Digital") is a United States corporation located at 9351 Jeronimo Road, Irvine, CA 92618.		
4	Mitsubishi Digital is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi Electric USA. During the Class		
5	Period, Mitsubishi Digital manufactured, marketed, sold and distributed CRTs and CRT		
6	televisions and monitors in the United States.		
7	111.141. Mitsubishi Electric Japan, Mitsubishi Electric USA and Mitsubishi Digital		
8	are collectively referred to herein as "Mitsubishi."		
9	Whenever in this Complaint reference is made to any act, deed or		
10	transaction of any corporation, the allegation means that the corporation engaged in the act, deed		
11	or transaction by or through its officers, directors, agents, employees or representatives while		
12	they were actively engaged in the management, direction, control or transaction of the		
13	corporation's business or affairs.		
14	113.143. Defendants are also liable to acts done in furtherance of the alleged		
15	conspiracy by companies they acquired through mergers or acquisitions.		
16	Each of the Defendants named herein acted as the agent or joint venturer of		
17	or for the other Defendants with respect to the acts, violations and common course of conduct		
18	alleged herein. Each Defendant which is a subsidiary of a foreign parent acts as the sole United		
19	States agent for CRT Products made by its parent company.		
20	VII. <u>INTERSTATE TRADE AND COMMERCE</u>		
21	Throughout the Class Period, each Defendant, or one or more of its		
22	subsidiaries, sold CRT Products in the United States in a continuous and uninterrupted flow of		
23	interstate and international commerce, including through and into this judicial district.		
24	116.146. During the Class Period, Defendants collectively controlled the vast		
25	majority of the market for CRT Products, both globally and in the United States.		
26	117.147. Defendants' unlawful activities, as described herein, took place within the		
27	flow of interstate commerce to purchasers of CRT Products located in states other than the state		
28	in which Defendants are located, as well as throughout the world, and had a direct, substantial		

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and reasonably foreseeable effect upon interstate and international commerce, including the United States markets for CRT Products.

VIII. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. <u>CRT Technology</u>

118.148. CRT technology was first developed more than a century ago. The first commercially practical CRT television was made in 1931. It was not until the RCA Corporation introduced the product at the 1939 World's Fair, however, that it became widely available to consumers. Since then, CRTs have become the heart of most display products, including televisions, computer monitors, oscilloscopes, air traffic control monitors, and ATMs. Even large public displays, including many scoreboards at sports arenas, are comprised of thousands of single color CRTs.

at the back of the vacuum tube emits electron beams. When the electron beams strike the phosphors, the phosphors produce either red, green, or blue light. A system of magnetic fields inside the CRT, as well as varying voltages, directs the beams to produce the desired colors. This process is rapidly repeated several times per second to produce the desired images.

120.150. The quality of a CRT display is dictated by the quality of the CRT itself.

No external control or feature can make up for a poor quality tube. In this regard, the CRT defines the whole product such that the product is often simply referred to as "the CRT."

<u>121.151.</u> Until the last few years, CRTs were the dominant technology used in displays, including television and computer monitors. During the Class Period, this translated into the sale of millions of CRT Products, generating billions of dollars in annual profits.

B. Structural Characteristics Of The CRT Market

122.152. The structural characteristics of the CRT Product market are conducive to the type of collusive activity alleged in this Complaint. These characteristics include market concentration, ease of information sharing, the consolidation of manufacturers, multiple interrelated business relationships, significant barriers to entry, maturity of the CRT Product

market, and homogeneity of products.

a.

Market Concentration

123.153. During the Class Period, the CRT industry was dominated by relatively few companies. In 2004, defendants Samsung SDI, LG.Philips Displays (n/k/a LP Displays), MT Picture Display and Chunghwa together held a collective 78% share of the global CRT market. The high concentration of market share facilitates coordination since there are fewer cartel members among which to coordinate pricing or allocate markets, and it is easier to monitor the pricing and production of other cartel members.

b. Information Sharing

H24.154. Because of common membership in trade associations for the CRT Product market and related markets (for e.g., TFT-LCD), interrelated business arrangements such as joint ventures, allegiances between companies in certain countries, and relationships between the executives of certain companies, there were many opportunities for Defendants to discuss and exchange competitive information. The ease of communication was facilitated by the use of meetings, telephone calls, e-mails, and instant messages. Defendants took advantage of these opportunities to discuss and agree upon their pricing for CRT Products.

125.155. Defendants Chunghwa, Hitachi and Samsung are all members of the Society for Information Display. Defendants Samsung and LG Electronics, Inc. are two of the co-founders of the Korea Display Industry Association. Similarly, Daewoo, LG Electronics, LP Displays, and Samsung are members of the Electronic Display Industrial Research Association. Upon information and belief, Defendants used these trade associations as vehicles for discussing and agreeing upon their pricing for CRT Products. At the meetings of these trade associations, Defendants exchanged proprietary and competitively sensitive information which they used to implement and monitor the conspiracy.

c. Consolidation

126.156. The CRT Product industry also had significant consolidation during the Class Period, including but not limited to: (a) the creation of LG.Philips Displays (n/k/a LP Displays) in 2001 as a joint venture between Royal Philips and LG Electronics, Inc.; and (b) the

1	2002 merger of Toshiba and Matsushita/Panasonic's CRT business into MTPD.
2	127.157. Defendants also consolidated their manufacturing facilities in lower cost
3	venues such as China and reduced manufacturing capacity to prop up prices.
4	d. Multiple Interrelated Business Relationships
5	128.158. The CRT Product industry has a close-knit nature whereby multiple
6	business relationships between supposed competitors blur the lines of competition and provided
7	ample opportunity to collude. These business relationships also created a unity of interest among
8	competitors so that the conspiracy was easier to implement and enforce than if such
9	interrelationships did not exist.
10	129.159. Examples of the high degree of cooperation among Defendants in both the
11	CRT Product market and other closely related markets include the following:
12	a. The formation of the CRT joint venture LG.Philips Displays in 2001 by
13	Defendants LG Electronics, Inc. and Royal Philips.
14	b. Defendants LG Electronics, Inc. and Royal Philips also formed LG.Philips
15	LCD Co., Ltd., n/k/a LG Display Co., Ltd. in 1999 as a joint venture for the purpose of
16	manufacturing TFT-LCD panels.
17	c. The formation of the CRT joint venture MTPD in 2003 by Defendants
18	Toshiba and Panasonic.
19	d. Defendants Toshiba and Panasonic also formed Toshiba-Matsushita
20	Display Technology Co., Ltd. as a joint venture for the purpose of manufacturing TFT-LCD
21	panels.
22	e. In December 1995, Defendants Daewoo and Toshiba partnered with two
23	other non-Defendant entities to form TEDI which manufactured CRTs in Indonesia.
24	f. Defendants Daewoo and Toshiba also signed a cooperative agreement
25	relating to LCDs in 1995. Pursuant to the agreement, Daewoo produced STN LCDs, and
26	Toshiba, which had substituted its STN LCD production with TFT LCD production, marketed
27	Daewoo's STN LCDs globally through its network.
28	g. Also in 1995, Defendant Chunghwa entered into a technology transfer

1	agreement with Defendant Toshiba for large CPTs.
2	h. Defendant Chunghwa has a joint venture with Defendant Samsung
3	Electronics Co., Ltd. for the production of liquid crystal display panels. Chunghwa now licenses
4	the technology from Defendant Royal Philips, a recent development that helped resolve a patent
5	infringement suit filed in 2002.
6	i. Defendants LG Electronics, Inc. and Hitachi Ltd. entered into a joint
7	venture in 2000 for the manufacture, sale and distribution of optical storage products such as
8	DVD drives.
9	j. Defendant Samtel participates in a joint venture, Samcor Glass Limited,
10	with Defendant Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. and non-Defendant Corning Inc., USA for the
11	production and supply of picture tube glass.
12	k. Defendant Samtel claims to have supplied CRTs to Defendants LG
13	Electronics, Inc., Samsung, Royal Philips, and Panasonic.
14	e. High Costs Of Entry Into The Industry
15	130.160. There are substantial barriers to entry in the CRT Products industry. It
16	would require substantial time, resources and industry knowledge to even potentially overcome
17	the barriers to entry. It is also extremely unlikely that a new producer would enter the market in
18	light of the declining demand for CRT Products.
19	f. The Maturity Of The CRT Product Market
20	131.161. Newer industries are typically characterized by rapid growth, innovation
21	and high profits. The CRT Product market is a mature one, and like many mature industries, is
22	characterized by slim profit margins, creating a motivation to collude.
23	132.162. Demand for CRT Products was declining throughout the Class Period.
24	Static or declining demand is another factor which makes the formation of a collusive
25	arrangement more likely because it provides a greater incentive to firms to avoid price
26	competition.
27	133.163. In addition, conventional CRT televisions and computer monitors were
28	being rapidly replaced by TFT-LCD and Plasma displays. This was one of the factors which led
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1	Defendants to engage in this alleged price fixing scheme in order to slow down declining CRT
2	Product prices. Between 2000 and 2006, revenues from the sale of CRT televisions in the United
3	States declined by 50.7 percent and are predicted to decline by an additional 84.5 percent
4	between 2006 and 2010.
5	134.164. Although demand was declining as a result of the popularity of flat-panel
6	LCD/plasma televisions and LCD monitors, CRT televisions and monitors were still the
7	dominant display technology during the Class Period, making Defendants' collusion and the
8	international price fixing conspiracy worthwhile. Due to the high costs of LCD panels and
9	plasma displays during the Class Period, a substantial market for CRT Products existed as a
10	cheaper alternative to these new technologies.
11	135.165. In 1999, CRT monitors accounted for 94.5 percent of the retail market for
12	computer monitors in North America. By 2002, that figure had dropped to 73 percent; still a
13	substantial share of the market.
14	136.166. As for CRT televisions, they accounted for 73 percent of the North
15	American television market in 2004, and by the end of 2006, still held a 46 percent market share.
16	CRT televisions continue to dominate the global television market, accounting for 75 percent of
17	worldwide TV units in 2006.
18	g. Homogeneity Of CRT Products
19	137.167. CRT Products are commodity-like products which are manufactured in
20	standardized sizes. One Defendant's CRT Products for a particular application, such as a
21	particular size television set or computer monitor, is substitutable for another's. Defendants sell
22	and Plaintiffs (and Class members) purchase CRT Products primarily on the basis of price.
23	138.168. It is easier to form and sustain a cartel when the product in question is
24	commodity-like because it is easier to agree on prices to charge and to monitor those prices once
25	an agreement is formed.
26	C. <u>Pre-Conspiracy Market</u>
27	139.169. The genesis of the CRT conspiracy was in the late 1980s as the CRT
28	Products business became more international and the Defendants began serving customers that

were also being served by other international companies. During this period, the employees of Defendants would encounter employees from their competitors when visiting their customers. A culture of cooperation developed over the years and these Defendant employees would exchange market information on production, capacity, and customers.

140.170. In the early 1990s, representatives from Samsung, Daewoo, Chunghwa and Orion visited each other's factories in S.E. Asia. During this period, these producers began to include discussions about price in their meetings. The pricing discussions were usually limited, however, to exchanges of the range of prices that each competitor had quoted to specific customers.

D. <u>Defendants' And Co-Conspirators' Illegal Agreements</u>

141.171. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that in order to control and maintain profitability during declining demand for CRT Products, Defendants and their co-conspirators have engaged in a contract, combination, trust or conspiracy, the effect of which has been to raise, fix, maintain and/or stabilize the prices at which they sold CRT Products to artificially inflated levels from at least March 1, 1995 through at least November 25, 2007.

142.172. The CRT conspiracy was effectuated through a combination of group and bilateral meetings. In the formative years of the conspiracy (1995-1996), bilateral discussions were the primary method of communication and took place on an informal, ad hoc basis. During this period, representatives from Defendants LG, Samsung and Daewoo visited the other Defendant and co-conspirator manufacturers including Philips, Chunghwa, Thai CRT, Hitachi, Toshiba, Mitsubishi and Panasonic to discuss increasing prices for CRT Products in general and to specific customers. These meetings took place in Taiwan, South Korea, Thailand, Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Singapore.

143.173. Defendants Samsung, Chunghwa, LG, Mitsubishi and Daewoo also attended several ad hoc group meetings during this period. The participants at these group meetings also discussed increasing prices for CRT Products.

144.174. As more manufacturers formally entered the conspiracy, group meetings became more prevalent. Beginning in 1997, the Defendants began to meet in a more organized,

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systematic fashion, and a formal system of multilateral and bilateral meetings was put in place.

Defendants' representatives attended hundreds of these meetings during the Class Period.

145.175. The overall CRT conspiracy raised and stabilized worldwide prices

(including United States prices) that Defendants charged for CRT Products.

a. "Glass Meetings"

146.176. The group meetings among the participants in the CRT price-fixing conspiracy were referred to by the participants as "Glass Meetings" or "GSM." Glass Meetings were attended by employees at three general levels of the Defendants' corporations.

147.177. The first level of these meetings were attended by high level company executives including CEOs, Presidents, and Vice Presidents, and were known as "Top Meetings." Top Meetings occurred less frequently, typically quarterly, and were focused on longer term agreements and forcing compliance with price fixing agreements. Because attendees at Top Meetings had authority as well as more reliable information, these meetings resulted in agreements. Attendees at Top Meetings were also able to resolve disputes because they were decision makers who could make agreements.

148.178. The second level of meetings were attended by the Defendants' high level sales managers and were known as "Management Meetings." These meetings occurred more frequently, typically monthly, and handled implementation of the agreements made at Top Meetings.

Meetings" and were attended by lower level sales and marketing employees. These meetings generally occurred on a weekly or monthly basis and were mostly limited to the exchange of information and discussing pricing since the lower level employees did not have the authority to enter into agreements. These lower level employees would then transmit the competitive information up the corporate reporting chain to those individuals with pricing authority. The Working Level Meetings also tended to be more regional and often took place near Defendants' factories. In other words, the Taiwanese manufacturers' employees met in Taiwan, the Korean manufacturers' employees met in Korea, the Chinese in China, and so on.

information to discuss and agree upon what price each would charge for CRTs to be sold in the following month or quarter. They discussed and agreed upon target prices, price increases, so-called "bottom" prices, and price ranges for CRTs. They also discussed and agreed upon prices of CRTs that were sold to specific customers, and agreed upon target prices to be used in negotiations with large customers. Having analyzed the supply and demand, the participants would also discuss and agree upon production cutbacks.

154.184. During periods of oversupply, the focus of the meeting participants turned to making controlled and coordinated price reductions. This was referred to as setting a "bottom price."

Defendants' conspiracy included agreements on the prices at which certain Defendants would sell CRTs to their own corporate subsidiaries and affiliates that manufactured end products, such as televisions and computer monitors. Defendants realized the importance of keeping the internal pricing to their affiliated OEMs at a high enough level to support the CRT pricing in the market to other OEMs. In this way, Defendants ensured that all direct purchaser OEMs paid supracompetitive prices for CRTs.

Each of the participants in these meetings knew, and in fact discussed, the significant impact that the price of CRTs had on the cost of the finished products into which they were placed. Like CRTs themselves, the market for CRT Products was a mature one, and there were slim profit margins. The Defendants therefore concluded that in order to make their CRT price increases stick, they needed to make the increase high enough that their direct customers (CRT TV and monitor makers) would be able to justify a corresponding price increase to their customers. In this way, Defendants ensured that price increases for CRTs were passed on to indirect purchasers of CRT Products.

157.187. The agreements reached at the Glass Meetings included:

- a. agreements on CRT Product prices, including establishing target prices,
 "bottom" prices, price ranges, and price guidelines;
- b. placing agreed-upon price differentials on various attributes of CRT Products,
 such as quality or certain technical specifications;

concerns about antitrust issues.

b. Bilateral Discussions

160.190. Throughout the Class Period, the Glass Meetings were supplemented by bilateral discussions between various Defendants. The bilateral discussions were more informal than the group meetings and occurred on a frequent, ad hoc basis, often between the group meetings. These discussions, usually between sales and marketing employees, took the form of in-person meetings, telephone contacts and emails.

161.191. During the Class Period, in-person bilateral meetings took place in Malaysia, Indonesia, Taiwan, China, United Kingdom, Singapore, South Korea, Japan, Thailand, Brazil, Mexico and the United States.

162.192. The purpose of the bilateral discussions was to exchange information about past and future pricing, confirm production levels, share sales order information, confirm pricing rumors, and coordinate pricing with manufacturers in other geographic locations, including Brazil, Mexico, Europe and the United States.

In order to ensure the efficacy of their global conspiracy, the Defendants also used bilateral meetings to coordinate pricing with CRT Product manufacturers in Brazil, Mexico and the United States, such as Philips, Samsung SDI, Thomson, Mitsubishi and later, LPD (from 2001) and Videocon (from 2005). These CRT manufacturers were particularly important because they served the North American market for CRT Products. As further alleged herein, North America was the largest market for CRT televisions and computer monitors during the Class Period. Because these manufacturers were all wholly-owned and controlled subsidiaries of Defendants or co-conspirators Philips, Samsung SDI, Thomson, Mitsubishi and LPD, they adhered to the unlawful price-fixing agreements. In this way, the Defendants ensured that prices of all CRT Products sold in the United States were fixed, raised, maintained and/or stabilized at supracompetitive levels.

164.194. Defendants also used bilateral discussions with each other during price negotiations with customers to avoid being persuaded by customers to cut prices. The information gained in these communications was then shared with supervisors and taken into

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account in determining the price to be offered.

Bilateral discussions were also used to coordinate prices with CRT Product 165.195. manufacturers that did not ordinarily attend the group meetings, such as Defendants and coconspirators Hitachi, Toshiba, Panasonic, Thai CRT, Samtel, Thomson, Mitsubishi and later Videocon. It was often the case that in the few days following a Top or Management Meeting, the attendees at these group meetings would meet bilaterally with the other Defendant and coconspirator manufacturers for the purpose of communicating whatever CRT Product pricing and/or output agreements had been reached during the meeting. For example, Samsung had a relationship with Hitachi and was responsible for communicating CRT Product pricing agreements to Hitachi. LG had a relationship with Toshiba and was responsible for communicating CRT Product pricing agreements to Toshiba. And Thai CRT had a relationship with Samtel and was responsible for communicating CRT Product pricing agreements to Samtel. Hitachi, Toshiba and Samtel implemented the agreed-upon pricing as conveyed by Samsung, LG, and Thai CRT. Sometimes Hitachi and Toshiba also attended the Glass Meetings. Similarly, Philips had regular bilateral communications with Thomson in Europe and the United States, and Samsung SDI had regular communications with Mitsubishi. In this way, Hitachi, Toshiba, Samtel, Thomson and Mitsubishi participated in the conspiracy to fix prices of CRT Products.

c. Defendants' And Co-Conspirators' Participation In Group And Bilateral Discussions

166.196. Between at least 1995 and 2007, Defendant Samsung, through SEC, Samsung SDI, Samsung SDI Malaysia, Samsung SDI Shenzhen, and Samsung SDI Tianjin, participated in at least 200 Glass Meetings at all levels. A substantial number of these meetings were attended by the highest ranking executives from Samsung. Samsung also engaged in bilateral discussions with each of the other Defendants on a regular basis. Through these discussions, Samsung agreed on prices and supply levels for CRT Products.

167.197. Defendants SEAI, Samsung SDI America, Samsung SDI Brazil, and Samsung SDI Mexico were represented at those meetings and were a party to the agreements entered at them. To the extent SEC and SEAI sold and/or distributed CRT Products, they played

1	the class period as Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.), through Panasonic Corporation and
2	Matsushita Malaysia, participated in several Glass Meetings. After 2003, Panasonic participated
3	in the CRT conspiracy through its joint venture with Toshiba, MTPD. These meetings were
4	attended by high level sales managers from Panasonic and MTPD. Panasonic also engaged in
5	multiple bilateral discussions with other Defendants. Through these discussions, Panasonic
6	agreed on prices and supply levels for CRT Products. Panasonic never effectively withdrew from
7	this conspiracy.
8	181.211. Panasonic NA was represented at those meetings and was a party to the
9	agreements entered at them. To the extent Panasonic NA sold and/or distributed CRT Products to
10	direct purchasers, it played a significant role in the conspiracy because Defendants wished to
11	ensure that the prices for CRT Products paid by direct purchasers would not undercut the pricing
12	agreements reached at the Glass Meetings. Thus, Panasonic NA was an active, knowing
13	participant in the alleged conspiracy.
14	182.212. Between at least 2003 and 2006, Defendant MTPD participated in multiple
15	Glass Meetings and in fact led many of these meetings during the latter years of the conspiracy.
16	These meetings were attended by high level sales managers from MTPD. MTPD also engaged in
17	bilateral discussions with other Defendants. Through these discussions, MTPD agreed on prices
18	and supply levels for CRT Products.
19	183.213. Between at least 1998 and 2007, Defendant BMCC participated in multiple
20	Glass Meetings. These meetings were attended by high level sales managers from BMCC.
21	BMCC also engaged in multiple bilateral discussions with other Defendants, particularly the
22	other Chinese CRT manufacturers. Through these discussions, BMCC agreed on prices and
23	supply levels for CRT Products. None of BMCC's conspiratorial conduct in connection with
24	CRT Products was mandated by the Chinese government. BMCC was acting to further its own
25	independent private interests in participating in the alleged conspiracy.
26	184.214. Between at least 1998 and 2007, Defendant IRICO, through IGC, IGE, and
27	IDDC, participated in multiple Glass Meetings. These meetings were attended by the highest
28	ranking executives from IRICO. IRICO also engaged in multiple bilateral discussions with other

multiple bilateral and some multilateral meetings with its competitors. These meetings were

attended by high level sales managers from Mitsubishi. At these meetings, Mitsubishi discussed

such things as CRT prices, production, revenues, volumes, demand, inventories, estimated sales, plant shutdowns, customer allocation, and new product development, and agreed on prices and supply levels for CRT Products. Mitsubishi never effectively withdrew from this conspiracy.

190.220. When Plaintiffs refer to a corporate family or companies by a single name in their allegations of participation in the conspiracy. Plaintiffs are alleging that one or more

in their allegations of participation in the conspiracy, Plaintiffs are alleging that one or more employees or agents of entities within the corporate family engaged in conspiratorial meetings on behalf of every company in that family. In fact, the individual participants in the conspiratorial meetings and discussions did not always know the corporate affiliation of their counterparts, nor did they distinguish between the entities within a corporate family. The individual participants entered into agreements on behalf of, and reported these meetings and discussions to, their respective corporate families. As a result, the entire corporate family was represented in meetings and discussions by their agents and were parties to the agreements reached in them.

E. The CRT Market During the Conspiracy

191,221. Until the last few years, CRTs were the dominant technology used in displays, including television and computer monitors. During the Class Period, this translated into the sale of millions of CRT Products, generating billions of dollars in annual profits.

192.222. The following data was reported by Stanford Resources, Inc., a market research firm focused on the global electronic display industry:

Year	Units Sold (millions)	Revenue (billion US dollars)	Average Selling Price Per Unit
1998	90.5	\$18.9	\$208
1999	106.3	\$19.2	\$181
2000	119.0	\$28.0	\$235

193.223. During the Class Period, North America was the largest market for CRT TVs and computer monitors. According to a report published by Fuji Chimera Research, the 1995 worldwide market for CRT monitors was 57.8 million units, 28 million of which (48.5

percent) were consumed in North America. By 2002, North America still consumed around 35 percent of the world's CRT monitor supply. See, The Future of Liquid Crystal and Related Display Materials, Fuji Chimera Research, 1997, p.12.

194.224. Defendants' collusion is evidenced by unusual price movements in the CRT Product market during the Class Period. In the 1990s, industry analysts repeatedly predicted declines in consumer prices for CRT Products that did not fully materialize. For example, in 1992, an analyst for Market Intelligent Research Corporation predicted that "[e]conomies of scale, in conjunction with technological improvements and advances in manufacturing techniques, will produce a drop in the price of the average electronic display to about \$50 in 1997." Information Display 9/92 p.19. Despite such predictions, and the existence of economic conditions warranting a drop in prices, CRT Product prices nonetheless remained stable.

195.225. In 1996, another industry source noted that "the price of the 14" tube is at a sustainable USD50 and has been for some years...."

196.226. In early 1999, despite declining production costs and the rapid entry of flat panel display products, the price of large sized color CRTs actually rose. The price increase was allegedly based on increasing global demand. In fact, this price increase was a result of the collusive conduct as herein alleged.

197.227. After experiencing oversupply of 17" CRTs in the second half of 1999, the average selling price of CRTs rose again in early 2000. A March 13, 2000 article in Infotech Weekly quoted an industry analyst as saying that this price increase was "unlike most other PC-related products."

198.228. A BNET Business Network news article from August 1998 reported that "key components (cathode ray tubes) in computer monitors have risen in price. 'Although several manufacturers raised their CRT prices in the beginning of August, additional CRT price increases are expected for the beginning of October....While computer monitor price increases may be a necessary course of action, we [CyberVision, a computer monitor manufacturer] do not foresee a drop in demand if we have to raise our prices relative to CRT price increases.'"

1	199.229. A 2004 article from Techtree.com reports that various computer monitor		
2	manufacturers, including LG Electronics, Philips, and Samsung, were raising the price of their		
3	monitors in response to increases in CRT prices caused by an alleged shortage of glass shells		
4	used to manufacture the tubes. Philips is quoted as saying that, "It is expected that by the end of		
5	September this year [2004] there will be 20% hike in the price of our CRT monitors."		
6	200.230. Defendants also conspired to limit production of CRTs by shutting down		
7	production lines for days at a time, and closing or consolidating their manufacturing facilities.		
8	201.231. For example, the Defendants' CRT factory utilization percentage fell from		
9	90 percent in the third quarter of 2000 to 62 percent in the first quarter of 2001. This is the most		
10	dramatic example of a drop in factory utilization. There were sudden drops throughout the Class		
11	Period but to a lesser degree. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that these sudden, coordinated		
12	drops in factory utilization by the Defendants were the result of Defendants' agreements to		
13	decrease output in order to stabilize the prices of CRT Products.		
14	202.232. During the Class Period, while demand in the United States for CRT		
15	Products continued to decline, Defendants' conspiracy was effective in moderating the normal		
16	downward pressures on prices for CRT Products caused by the entry and popularity of the new		
17	generation LCD panels and plasma display products. As Finsen Yu, President of Skyworth		
18	Macao Commerical Offshore Co., Ltd., a television maker, was quoted in January of 2007: "[t]he		
19	CRT technology is very mature; prices and technology have become stable."		
20	203.233. During the Class Period, there were not only periods of unnatural and		
21	sustained price stability, but there were also increases in prices of CRT Products. These price		
22	increases were despite the declining demand due to the approaching obsolescence of CRT		
23	Products caused by the emergence of a new, potentially superior and clearly more popular,		
24	substitutable technology.		
25	204.234. These price increases and price stability in the market for CRT Products		
26	during the Class Period are inconsistent with a competitive market for a product facing rapidly		
27	decreasing demand caused by a new, substitutable technology.		

1	ray tubes (CRT) and heavy electrical equipment."
2	215.246. On December 5, 2012, the European Commission adopted a decision
3	relating to infringements of Article 101 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
4	and Article 53 of the EEA Agreement in the sector of CRTs, in which it found collusion on
5	prices, market shares, customers and output as well as the exchange of confidential information
6	and monitoring implementation of the collusive agreements. The infringements involved two
7	types of CRTs: CDTs used in computer monitors, during the period at least from October 1996
8	until March 2006, and color picture tubes ("CPTs") used in color televisions during the period at
9	least from December 1997 until November 2006. The European Commission imposed fines in
10	the following total amounts against Defendants and co-conspirators responsible for the
11	infringements: Chunghwa Entities (€0 due to leniency for being the first to reveal the existence
12	of the conspiracy); Samsung SDI (€150,842,000); Philips Entities (€313, 356,000); LG
13	Electronics (€295,597,000); Philips and LG Electronics, jointly and severally liable (€
14	391,940,000); Technicolor (€38,631,000); Panasonic (€157,478,000); Toshiba (€28,048,000);
15	Panasonic, Toshiba, and MT Picture Dispute Co., jointly and severally liable (€86,738,000); and
16	Panasonic and MT Picture Display Co., jointly and severally liable (€7,885,000).
17	216.247. On May 6, 2008, the Hungarian Competition Authority ("HCA")
18	announced its own investigation into the CRT cartel. The HCA described the cartel as follows:
19	The Hungarian Competition Authority (Gazdasági Versenyhivatal
20	 – GVH) initiated a competition supervision proceeding against the following undertakings: Samsung SDI Co., Ltd., Samsung SDI
21	Germany GmbH, Samsung SDI Magyarország Zrt., Thomson TDP sp. Z.o.o., LG Philips Displays Czech Republic s.r.o., LP Displays,
22	Chunghwa Picture Tubes (UK), Ltd., Chunghwa Picture Tubes,
23	Ltd., Daewoo Orion S.A., Daewoo Electronics Global HQ, Daewoo Electronics European HQ, MT Picture Display Germany
24	Gmbh, Matsushita Global HQ, Matsushita European HQ.
25	Based on the data available, the undertakings mentioned above
26	concerted their practice regarding the manufacturing and distribution of cathode-ray tubes (including coloured picture tubes
27	and coloured screen tubes) on the European market between 1995 and 2007. The anti-competitive behaviour may have concerned the
28	exchange of sensitive market information (about prices, volumes sold, demand and the extent to which capacities were exploited),

1	price-fixing, the allocation of market shares, consumers and
2	volumes to be sold, the limitation of output and coordination concerning the production. The undertakings evolved a structural
3	system and functional mechanism of cooperation.
4	According to the available evidences it is presumable that the coordination of European and Asian undertakings regarding to the
5	European market also included Hungary from 1995 to 2007. The
6	coordination concerning the Hungarian market allegedly formed part of the European coordination. Samsung SDI Magyarország
7	was called into the proceeding since it manufactured and sold cathode-ray tubes in Hungary in the examined period, and it
8	allegedly participated in the coordination between its parent companies.
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10	217.248. As outlined above, Defendants have a history of competitor contacts
11	resulting from joint ventures, numerous cross-licensing agreements, and other alliances in related
12	businesses in the electronics industry.
13	218.249. Several Defendants also have a history of "cooperation" and
14	anticompetitive conduct. For example, Defendant Samsung was fined \$300 million by the U.S.
15	Department of Justice in October 2005 for participating in a conspiracy to fix the prices of
16	Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM).
17	219.250. Defendants Samsung and Toshiba have acknowledged being contacted by
18	the U.S. Department of Justice as part of an ongoing investigation for fixing prices of Static
19	Random Access Memory and NAND Flash Memory.
20	220.251. In December 2006, government authorities in Japan, Korea, the European
21	Union and the United States revealed a comprehensive investigation into anticompetitive
22	conduct in the closely-related TFT-LCD market.
23	On December 12, 2006, news reports indicated that Defendants Samsung
24	and Chunghwa, as well as an LCD joint venture between Defendants Philips and LG Electronics,
25	Inc, LG Display Co., Ltd., were all under investigation for price fixing of TFT-LCDs.
26	On November 12, 2008, the DOJ announced that it had reached agreements
27	with three TFT-LCD manufacturers—LG Display Co., Ltd. (and its U.S. subsidiary, LG Display
28	America, Inc.), Sharp Corporation, and Defendant Chunghwa Picture Tubes, Ltd.—to plead

guilty to violations of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1, and pay a total of \$585 million in criminal fines for their roles in a conspiracy to fix prices of TFT-LCD panels.

223.254. On March 10, 2009, the DOJ announced that it had reached an agreement with Defendant Hitachi Displays, Ltd., a subsidiary of Defendant Hitachi, Ltd., to plead guilty to violations of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1, and pay a \$31 million fine for its role in a conspiracy to fix the prices of TFT-LCD panels.

224.255. The indictments of LG Display Co., Ltd., Sharp Corporation, Chunghwa Picture Tubes, Ltd. and Hitachi Displays, Ltd., all state that the combination and conspiracy to fix the prices of TFT-LCDs was carried out, in part, in the Northern District of California.

IX. THE PASS-THROUGH OF OVERCHARGES TO CONSUMERS

225.256. Defendants' conspiracy to fix, raise, maintain and stabilize the price of CRT Products at artificial levels resulted in harm to Plaintiffs and the indirect purchaser consumer classes alleged herein because it resulted in their paying higher prices for CRT Products than they would have paid in the absence of Defendants' conspiracy. The entire overcharge at issue was passed on to Plaintiffs and members of the indirect purchaser classes. As the DOJ acknowledged in announcing the indictment of defendant Chunghwa's former Chairman and CEO, "This conspiracy harmed countless Americans who purchased computers and televisions using cathode ray tubes sold at fixed prices."

226.257. The Defendants identified above that attended the Glass Meetings, monitored the prices of televisions and computer monitors sold in the U.S. and elsewhere on a regular basis. The purpose and effect of investigating such retail market data was at least three fold. First, it permitted Defendants, such as Chunghwa, which did not manufacture CRT televisions or computer monitors the way that Samsung, LG, Daewoo, Panasonic, Toshiba, Philips, Hitachi, Thomson and Mitsubishi did, to police the price fixing agreement to make sure that intra-defendant CRT sales were kept at supra-competitive levels. Secondly, it permitted all Defendants to police their price fixing agreement to independent OEMs who would reduce prices for finished goods if there was a corresponding reduction in CRT prices from a Defendant. Finally, as discussed above, Defendants used the prices of finished products to analyze whether

1	they could increase prices or should agree to a "bottom" price instead. The Defendants
2	concluded that in order to make their CRT price increases stick, they needed to make the
3	increase high enough that their direct customers (CRT TV and monitor makers) would be able to
4	justify a corresponding price increase to their customers (for e.g., retailers and computer OEMs).
5	In this way, Defendants assured that 100% of the supracompetitive overcharges for CRT
6	Products were passed on to indirect purchaser consumers.
7	The indirect purchaser consumer buys CRT Products from either a
8	computer or TV OEM such as Dell or Sharp, or a reseller such as Best Buy.
9	228.259. Because of the breadth of the price-fixing conspiracy here, the direct
10	purchaser CRT TV and monitor manufacturers were not constrained by their competitors from
11	passing on the overcharge. Because each of the direct purchaser's competitors were also buying
12	CRTs at supracompetitive prices from conspiracy members, no direct purchaser faced end-
13	product price competition from a competitor that was not paying supracompetitive prices for
14	CRTs.
15	229.260. The price of CRT Products is directly correlated to the price of CRTs. The
16	margins for CRT TV and monitor makers are sufficiently thin that price increases of CRTs force
17	them to increase the prices of their CRT Products. This means that increases in the price of CRT
18	lead to quick corresponding price increases at the OEM level for CRT Products.
19	230.261. Computer and TV OEMs and retailers of CRT Products are all subject to
20	vigorous price competition, whether selling CRT TVs or computer monitors. The demand for
21	CRTs is ultimately determined by purchasers of products containing such products. The market
22	for CRTs and the market for CRT Products are therefore inextricably linked and cannot be
23	considered separately. Defendants are well aware of this intimate relationship, and use forecasts
24	of CRT TVs and computer monitors to predict sales of and determine production levels and
25	pricing for CRTs.
26	231.262. Computers and televisions are commodities with little or no brand loyalty
27	such that aggressive pricing causes consumers to switch preferences to different brands. Prices
28	are closely based on production costs, which are in turn directly determined by component costs

1	provide a profit. This system guarantees that increases in costs to the retailer will be passed on to
2	end buyers. For example, CDW, a large seller of CRT monitors, uses such a system. A
3	declaration in the DRAM case from CDW's director of pricing details exactly how they
4	calculated selling prices:
5	In general, CDW employs a "building block" approach to setting its advertised prices. The first building block is the Cost of Goods
6	Sold (COGS), which represents the price CDW paid to acquire the productCDWadds a series of positive markups to the cost to
7	CDW to acquire a given product. These markups are in addition to
8	the pass through effect of changes in the costs charged to CDW for that product by a given vendor.
9	237.268. Economic and legal literature has recognized that unlawful overcharges in
10	a component normally result in higher prices for products containing that price-fixed component.
11	As Professor Herbert Hovenkamp, a noted antitrust scholar, has stated in his treatise, FEDERAL
12	ANTITRUST POLICY, THE LAW OF COMPETITION AND ITS PRACTICE (1994) at 624:
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14	A monopoly charge at the top of the distribution chain generally results in higher prices at every level below. For example, if
15	production of aluminum is monopolized or cartelized, fabricators of aluminum cookware will pay higher prices for aluminum. In
16	most cases they will absorb part of these increased costs themselves and will pass part along to cookware wholesalers. The
17	wholesalers will charge higher prices to the retail stores, and the
18	stores will do it once again to retail consumers. Every person at every stage in the chain will be poorer as a result of the monopoly
19	price at the top.
20	Theoretically, one can calculate the percentage of any overcharge
21	that a firm at one distributional level will pass on to those at the next level.
22	238.269. Similarly, two other antitrust scholars—Professors Robert G. Harris
23	(Professor Emeritus and former Chair of the Business and Public Policy Group at the Hass
24	School of Business at the University of California at Berkeley) and the late Lawrence A. Sullivar
25	(Professor of Law Emeritus at Southwestern School of Law and author of the Handbook of the
26	Law of Antitrust)—have observed that "in a multiple-level chain of distribution, passing on
27	monopoly overcharges is not the exception; it is the rule."
28	239.270. As Professor Jeffrey McKie-Mason (Arthur W. Burks Professor for

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Information and Computer Science, Professor of Economics and Public Policy, and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in the School of Information at the University of Michigan), an expert who presented evidence in a number of the indirect purchaser cases involving Microsoft Corporation, said (in a passage quoted in a judicial decision in that case granting class certification):

As is well known in economic theory and practice, at least some of the overcharge will be passed on by distributors to end consumers. When the distribution markets are highly competitive, as they are here, all or nearly the entire overcharge will be passed on through to ultimate consumers.... Both of Microsoft's experts also agree upon the economic phenomenon of cost pass through and how it works in competitive markets. This general phenomenon of cost pass through is well established in antitrust laws and economics as well.

240.271. The purpose of Defendants' conspiratorial conduct was to fix, raise, maintain and stabilize the price of CRTs and, as a direct and foreseeable result, CRT Products. The market for CRTs and the market for CRT Products are inextricably linked. One exists to serve the other. Defendants not only knew, but expressly contemplated that prices of CRT Products would increase as a direct result of their increasing the prices of CRTs.

241.272. Finally, many of the Defendants and/or co-conspirators themselves have been and are currently manufacturers of CRT TVs and computer monitors. Such manufacturers include, for example, Samsung, LG, Hitachi, Toshiba, Philips, and Panasonic. Having agreed to fix prices for CRTs, the major component of the end products they were manufacturing, these Defendants intended to pass on the full cost of this component in their finished products, and in fact did so.

242.273. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' illegal conduct, Plaintiffs and other indirect purchasers have been forced to pay supra-competitive prices for CRT Products. These inflated prices have been passed on to them by direct purchaser manufacturers, distributors and retailers.

X. CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

243.274. Plaintiffs bring this action individually and as a class action pursuant to the

1	provisions of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of all members of the
2	following class (the "Nationwide Class"):
3	All persons and or entities who or which indirectly purchased in
4	the United States for their own use and not for resale, CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by the Defendants, or any
5	subsidiary, affiliate, or co-conspirator thereof, at any time during the period from at least March 1, 1995 through at least November
6	25, 2007. Specifically excluded from this Class are the Defendants;
7	the officers, directors or employees of any Defendant; any entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest; and, any affiliate,
8	legal representative, heir or assign of any Defendant. Also excluded are named co-conspirators, any federal, state or local
9	government entities, any judicial officer presiding over this action
10	and the members of his/her immediate family and judicial staff, and any juror assigned to this action.
11	This class is comprised of multiple subclasses, including an equitable relief subclass consisting
12	of persons and/or entities which purchased CRT Products in the states of Alabama, Alaska,
13	Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana,
14	Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, Washington, and
15	Wyoming.
16	244.275. Plaintiffs also bring this action on behalf of themselves and as a class
17	action pursuant to the provisions of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or
18	respective state statute(s), on behalf of all members of the following State classes or subclasses
19	(collectively "Indirect Purchaser State Classes"): Arkansas, Arizona, California, District of
20	Columbia, Florida, Hawaii, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota,
21	Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York,
22	North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee
23	Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.
24	Each of the Indirect Purchaser State Classes is defined as follows:
25	All persons and/or entities in <u>Arkansas</u> , Arizona, California,
26	District of Columbia, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, New
27	Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah,
28	Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin who or which indirectly

purchased for their own use and not for resale CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by the Defendants or any subsidiary, affiliate, or co-conspirator thereof, at any time during the period from at least March 1, 1995 through at least November 25, 2007.

All persons and entities in Hawaii who or which indirectly purchased for their own use and not for resale CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by one or more of the Defendants or any parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, predecessors or successors in interest or co-conspirators thereof, at any time from June 25, 2002 through at least November 25, 2007.

All persons in Missouri who indirectly purchased for their own use and not for resale, and primarily for personal, family or household purposes, CRTs or CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by the Defendants and any subsidiary, affiliate, or co-conspirator thereof at any time during the period from at least March 1, 1995 through at least November 25, 2007.

All persons and entities in Nebraska who or which indirectly purchased for their own use and not for resale CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by one or more of the Defendants or any parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, predecessors or successors in interest or co-conspirators thereof, at any time from July 20, 2002 through at least November 25, 2007.

All persons and entities in Nevada who or which indirectly purchased for their own use and not for resale CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by one or more of the Defendants or any parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, predecessors or successors in interest or co-conspirator thereof at any time from February 4, 1999 through at least November 25, 2007.

All natural persons in Rhode Island who indirectly purchased for their own use and not for resale, and primarily for personal, family or household purposes, CRTs or CRT Products manufactured and/or sold by the Defendants and any subsidiary, affiliate, or co-conspirator thereof at any time during the period from at least March 1, 1995 through at least November 25, 2007.

Specifically excluded from these Classes are the Defendants; the officers, directors or employees of any Defendant; any entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest; and, any affiliate, legal representative, heir or assign of any Defendant. Also excluded are named co-conspirators, any federal, state or local government entities, any judicial officer presiding over this action and the members of his/her immediate family and judicial staff, and any juror assigned to this action.

246.277. This action has been brought and may properly be maintained as a class action pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for the following reasons:

- a. The Classes are ascertainable and there is a well-defined community of interest among members of the Classes;
- b. Based upon the nature of trade and commerce involved and the number of indirect purchasers of CRT Products, Plaintiffs believe that the number of Class members is very large, and therefore joinder of all Class members is not practicable;
- c. Plaintiffs' claims are typical of Class members' claims because Plaintiffs indirectly purchased CRT Products manufactured by Defendants or their co-conspirators, and therefore Plaintiffs' claims arise from the same common course of conduct giving rise to the claims of the members of the Classes and the relief sought is common to the Classes;
- d. The following common questions of law or fact, among others, exist as to the members of the Classes:
- i. Whether Defendants formed and operated a combination or conspiracy to fix, raise, maintain, or stabilize the prices of CRT Products;
- ii. Whether the combination or conspiracy caused CRT Product prices to be higher than they would have been in the absence of Defendants' conduct;
- iii. The operative time period of Defendants' combination or conspiracy;
- iv. Whether Defendants' conduct caused injury to the business or property of Plaintiffs and the members of the Classes;
- v. The appropriate measure of the amount of damages suffered by the Classes;
- vi. Whether Defendants' conduct violates Section 1 of the Sherman Act (15 U.S.C. § 1) as alleged in the First Claim for Relief;
- vii. Whether Defendants' conduct violates the Indirect Purchaser States' antitrust laws as alleged in the Second Claim for Relief;

- viii. Whether Defendants' conduct violates the unfair competition and consumer protection laws of the Consumer Protection States as alleged in the Third Claim for Relief;
 - ix. The appropriate nature of class-wide equitable relief.
- e. These and other questions of law and fact common to the members of the Classes predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, including legal and factual issues relating to liability and damages;
- f. After determination of the predominant common issues identified above, if necessary or appropriate, the Classes can be divided into logical and manageable subclasses;
- g. Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Classes in that Plaintiffs have no interests that are antagonistic to other members of the Classes and have retained counsel competent and experienced in the prosecution of class actions and antitrust litigation to represent them and the Classes;
- h. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this litigation since individual joinder of all damaged Class members is impractical. The damages suffered by the individual Class members are relatively small, given the expense and burden of individual prosecution of the claims asserted in this litigation. Thus, absent the availability of class action procedures it would not be feasible for Class members to redress the wrongs done to them. Even if the Class members could afford individual litigation, the court system could not. Further, individual litigation presents the potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments and would greatly magnify the delay and expense to all parties and the court system. Therefore, the class action device presents far fewer case management difficulties and will provide the benefits of unitary adjudication, economy of scale and comprehensive supervision in a single court;
- i. Defendants have acted, and/or refused to act, on grounds generally applicable to the Classes, thereby making appropriate final injunctive relief with respect to the Classes as a whole; and
 - j. In the absence of a class action, Defendants would be unjustly enriched

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because they would be able to retain the benefits and fruits of its wrongful conduct.

XI. VIOLATIONS ALLEGED

247.278. Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege, as though fully set forth herein, each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.

248.279. Beginning at a time unknown to Plaintiffs, but at least as early as March 1, 1995, through at least November 25, 2007, the exact dates being unknown to Plaintiffs and exclusively within the knowledge of Defendants, Defendants and their co-conspirators, entered into a continuing agreement, understanding, and conspiracy to unreasonably restrain trade and commerce in the United States, in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. §1.

249.280. In particular, Defendants have combined and conspired to fix, raise, maintain or stabilize the prices of CRT Products sold in the United States.

<u>250.281.</u> Defendants, by their unlawful conspiracy, artificially raised, inflated and maintained the market prices of CRT Products as herein alleged.

251.282. The contract, combination or conspiracy consisted of a continuing agreement, understanding and concert of action among Defendants and their co-conspirators, the substantial terms of which were to fix, raise, maintain and stabilize the prices of CRT Products they sold in the United States and elsewhere.

252.283. In formulating and carrying out the alleged agreement, understanding, and conspiracy, the Defendants and their co-conspirators did those things that they combined and conspired to do, including, but not limited to the acts, practices, and course of conduct set forth above, and the following, among others:

- a. Participated in meetings and conversations to discuss the prices and supply of CRT Products in the United States and elsewhere;
- Agreed to manipulate prices and limit supply of CRT Products sold in the United States and elsewhere in a manner that deprived direct and indirect purchasers of CRT Products of free and open competition;
- c. Issued price announcements and price quotations in accordance with the

1	agreements reached;
2	d. Sold CRT Products to customers in the United States at non-competitive
3	prices; and
4	e. Invoiced customers in the United States at the agreed-upon, fixed prices for
5	CRT Products and transmitting such invoices via U.S. mail and other
6	interstate means of delivery.
7	253.284. The combination and conspiracy alleged herein has had the following
8	effects, among others:
9	a. Price competition in the sale of CRT Products has been restrained, suppressed
10	and/or eliminated in the United States;
11	b. Prices for CRT Products sold by Defendants and their co-conspirators have
12	been fixed, raised, maintained and stabilized at artificially high, non-
13	competitive levels throughout the United States; and
14	c. Those who purchased CRT Products directly or indirectly from Defendants
15	have been deprived the benefits of free and open competition.
16	254.285. As a direct result of the unlawful conduct of Defendants and their co-
17	conspirators in furtherance of their continuing contract, combination or conspiracy, Plaintiffs and
18	the members of the Nationwide Class have been injured and will continue to be injured in their
19	business and property by paying more for CRT Products purchased indirectly from the
20	Defendants and their co-conspirators than they would have paid and will pay in the absence of
21	the combination and conspiracy.
22	255.286. These violations are continuing and will continue unless enjoined by this
23	Court.
24	256.287. Pursuant to Section 16 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 26, Plaintiffs and
25	the Nationwide Class seek the issuance of an injunction against Defendants, preventing and
26	restraining the violations alleged herein.
27	B. Second Claim for Relief: Violation of State Antitrust Statutes
28	257.288. Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege, as though fully set forth herein, each
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and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.

Plaintiff Brian Luscher ("Arizona Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges 258.289. each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Arizona.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1)CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Arizona; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Arizona; (3) the Arizona Plaintiff and members of the Arizona Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Arizona commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Arizona Plaintiff and members of the Arizona Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Ariz. Rev. Stat. §§44-1401, et seq. 1
- f. Accordingly, the Arizona Plaintiff and the members of the Arizona Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Ariz. Rev. Stat. §§ 44-1401, et seq.

Plaintiffs Jeffrey Figone, Carmen Gonzalez, Dana Ross, and Steven Ganz 259.290.

copy of the Second Consolidated Amended Complaint to the Arizona Attorney General on May 10, 2010.

¹ In compliance with Arizona's Antitrust Act, Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 44-1415, Plaintiffs mailed a

("California Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Beginning at a time presently unknown to Plaintiffs, but at least as early as March 1, 1995, and continuing thereafter at least up to and including November 25, 2007, Defendants and their co-conspirators entered into and engaged in a continuing unlawful trust in restraint of the trade and commerce described above in violation of Section 16720, California Business and Professional Code. Defendants, and each of them, have acted in violation of Section 16720 to fix, raise, stabilize and maintain prices of CRT Products at supra-competitive levels.
- b. The aforesaid violations of Section 16720, California Business and Professions Code, consisted, without limitation, of a continuing unlawful trust and concert of action among the Defendants and their co-conspirators, the substantial terms of which were to fix, raise, maintain and stabilize the prices of, and to allocate markets for CRT Products.
- c. For the purpose of forming and effectuating the unlawful trust, the defendants and their co-conspirators have done those things which they combined and conspired to do, including but in no way limited to the acts, practices, and course of conduct set forth above and the following: (1) fixing, raising, stabilizing and/or maintaining the price of CRT Products; and (2) allocating among themselves the production of CRT Products.
- d. The combination and conspiracy alleged herein has had, *inter alia*, the following effects: (1) price competition in the sale of CRT Products has been restrained, suppressed and/or eliminated in the State of California; (2) prices for CRT Products sold by Defendants and their co-conspirators have been fixed, raised, maintained and stabilized at artificially high, non-competitive levels in the State of California; and (3) those who purchased CRT Products directly or indirectly from Defendants and their co-conspirators have been

deprived of the benefit of free and open competition.

e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, Plaintiffs and the members of the California Class have been injured in their business and property in that they paid more for CRT Products than they otherwise would have paid in the absence of Defendants' unlawful conduct. As a result of Defendants' violation of Section 16720 *et seq.* of the California Business and Professions Code, Plaintiffs seek treble damages and the costs of suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to Section 16750(a) of the California Business and Professions Code.

260.291. Plaintiff Law Suites. ("**DC Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in the District of Columbia.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout the District of Columbia; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout the District of Columbia; (3) the DC Plaintiff and members of the District of Columbia Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected District of Columbia commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the DC Plaintiff and members of the District of Columbia Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with

further injury.

e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of District of Columbia Code Ann. §§ 28-4501, et seq. Accordingly, the DC Plaintiff and the members of the District of Columbia Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under District of Columbia Code Ann. §§ 28-4501, et seq.

261.292. Plaintiff Daniel Riebow ("Hawaii Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Hawaii.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Hawaii; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Hawaii; (3) the Hawaii Plaintiff and members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Hawaii commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Hawaii Plaintiff and members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in

restraint of trade in violation of Hawaii Code, H.R.S. § 480-4.² Accordingly, the Hawaii Plaintiff and the members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Hawaii Code, H.R.S. § 480-1 *et seq*.

<u>262.293.</u> Plaintiff Travis Burau ("**Iowa Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Iowa.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Iowa; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Iowa; (3) the Iowa Plaintiff and members of the Iowa Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Iowa commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Iowa Plaintiff and members of the Iowa Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Iowa Code §§ 553.1 et *seq*. Accordingly, the Iowa Plaintiff and the members of the Iowa Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Iowa Code §§ 553.1.

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² On May 10, 2010, in compliance with Hawaii Rev. Stat. § 480-13.3, Plaintiffs served a copy of the Second Consolidated Amended Complaint on the Hawaii Attorney General.

<u>263.294.</u> Plaintiff Southern Office Supply, Inc. ("**Kansas Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Kansas.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Kansas; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Kansas; (3) the Kansas Plaintiff and members of the Kansas Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 Kansas commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Kansas Plaintiff and members of the Kansas Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Kansas Stat. Ann. §§50-101 et seq.
 Accordingly, the Kansas Plaintiff and the members of the Kansas Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Kansas Stat. Ann. §§50-101 et seq.

<u>264.295.</u> Plaintiff Kerry Lee Hall ("**Maine Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-

- competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Maine.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Maine; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Maine; (3) the Maine Plaintiff and members of the Maine Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 Maine commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Maine Plaintiff and members of the Maine Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Maine Rev. Stat. Ann. 10, §§1101 *et seq*. Accordingly, Plaintiffs and the members of the Maine Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Maine Rev. Stat. Ann. 10, §§1101 *et seq*.

<u>265.296.</u> Plaintiff Lisa Reynolds ("**Michigan Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Michigan.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT
 Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
 throughout Michigan; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained,

- and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Michigan; (3) the Michigan Plaintiff and members of the Michigan Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 Michigan commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Michigan Plaintiff and members of the Michigan Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Michigan Comp. Laws Ann. §§ 445.771 *et seq.* Accordingly, the Michigan Plaintiff and the members of the Michigan Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Michigan Comp. Laws Ann. §§ 445.771 *et seq.*

266.297. Plaintiffs David Norby, Barry Kushner and Ryan Rizzo ("Minnesota Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Minnesota.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Minnesota; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Minnesota; (3) the Minnesota Plaintiffs and members of the Minnesota Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected

1		further injury.
2	e.	By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in
3		restraint of trade in violation of Mississippi Code Ann. § 75-21-1 et seq.
4		Accordingly, the Minnesota Plaintiff and members of the Mississippi Indirect
5		Purchase Class seek all forms of relief available under Mississippi Code Ann.
6		§ 75-21-1 et seq.
7	268. 299.	Plaintiffs Misti Walker and Steven Fink ("Nebraska Plaintiffs")
8	incorporate and re	eallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this
9	Complaint and fu	rther allege as follows:
10	a.	Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by
11		affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-
12		competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or
13		obtained in Nebraska.
14	b.	Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT
15		Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
16		throughout Nebraska; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained,
17		and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Nebraska; (3) the Nebraska
18		Plaintiffs and members of the Nebraska Indirect Purchaser Class paid
19		supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
20	c.	During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
21		Nebraska commerce.
22	d.	As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the
23		Nebraska Plaintiffs and members of the Nebraska Indirect Purchaser Class
24		have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with
25		further injury.
26	e.	By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in
27		restraint of trade in violation of Nebraska Rev. Stat. § 59-801 et seq.
28		Accordingly, the Nebraska Plaintiffs and the members of the Nebraska
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Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Nebraska Rev. Stat. § 59-801 *et seq*.

269.300. Plaintiff Gloria Comeaux ("Nevada Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Nevada.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Nevada; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Nevada; (3) the Nevada Plaintiff and members of the Nevada Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 Nevada commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Nevada Plaintiff and members of the Nevada Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Nevada Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 598A *et seq*. Accordingly, the Nevada Plaintiff and the members of the Nevada Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Nevada Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 598A *et seq*.

³ In compliance with the Nevada Unfair Trade Practices Act, Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 598A.210(3). Plaintiffs served a copy of the Second Consolidated Amended Compla

⁵⁹⁸A.210(3), Plaintiffs served a copy of the Second Consolidated Amended Complaint on the Nevada Attorney General on May 10, 2010.

<u>270.301.</u> Plaintiff Craig Stephenson ("**New Mexico Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in New Mexico.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout New Mexico; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout New Mexico; (3) the New Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected New Mexico commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the New Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of New Mexico Stat. Ann. §§ 57-1-1 *et seq*. Accordingly, the New Mexico Plaintiff and the members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under New Mexico Stat. Ann. §§ 57-1-1 *et seq*.

271.302. Plaintiffs Conrad Carty, Janet Ackerman and Louise Wood ("New York Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in New York.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout New York; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout New York; (3) the New York Plaintiffs and members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected New York commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the New York Plaintiffs and members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of New York General Business Law § 340 *et seq.* Accordingly, the New York Plaintiffs and the members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under New York G.B.L. § 340 *et seq.* In accordance with New York G.B.L. § 340.5, the New York Plaintiffs served a copy of this Third Consolidated Amended Complaint on the New York Attorney General on December 10, 2010.

272.303. Plaintiff Patricia Andrews ("**North Carolina Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-

- competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in North Carolina.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout North Carolina; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout North Carolina; (3) the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected

 North Carolina commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of North Carolina Gen. Stat. §§ 75-1 *et seq*. Accordingly, the North Carolina Plaintiff and the members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under North Carolina Gen. Stat. §§ 75-1 *et seq*.

273.304. Plaintiff Gary Hanson ("North Dakota Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in North Dakota.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT

Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout North Dakota; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout North Dakota; (3) the North Dakota Plaintiff and members of the North Dakota Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.

- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 North Dakota commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the North Dakota Plaintiff and members of the North Dakota Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of North Dakota Cent. Code §§ 51-08.1-01 *et seq*. Accordingly, the North Dakota Plaintiff and the members of the North Dakota Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under North Dakota Cent. Code §§ 51-08.1-01 *et seq*.

274.305. Plaintiff Jeff Spaeact ("South Dakota Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in South Dakota.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT
 Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
 throughout South Dakota; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed,

 maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout South Dakota;

- (3) the South Dakota Plaintiff and members of the South Dakota Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 South Dakota commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the South Dakota Plaintiff and members of the South Dakota Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of South Dakota Codified Laws Ann. §§ 37-1 et seq. Accordingly, the South Dakota Plaintiff and the members of the South Dakota Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under South Dakota Codified Laws Ann. §§ 37-1 et seq.

275.306. Plaintiffs Frank Warner and Albert Sidney Crigler ("**Tennessee Plaintiffs**") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Tennessee.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Tennessee; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Tennessee; (3) the Tennessee Plaintiffs and members of the Tennessee Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected

Tennessee commerce.

- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Tennessee Plaintiffs and members of the Tennessee Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Tennessee Code Ann. §§ 47-25-101 *et seq*. Accordingly, the Tennessee Plaintiffs and the members of the Tennessee Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Tennessee Code Ann. §§ 47-25-101 *et seq*.

<u>276.307.</u> Plaintiff Margaret Slagle ("**Vermont Plaintiff**") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Vermont.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Vermont; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Vermont; (3) the Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Vermont commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further

injury.

e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Vermont Stat. Ann. 9 §§ 2453 et seq.
Accordingly, the Vermont Plaintiff and the members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Vermont Stat. Ann. 9 §§ 2453 et seq.

277.308. Plaintiff John Larch ("West Virginia Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in West Virginia.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout West Virginia; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout West Virginia; (3) the West Virginia Plaintiff and members of the West Virginia Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 West Virginia commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the West Virginia Plaintiff and members of the West Virginia Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of West Virginia Code §§ 47-18-1 *et seq*.

Accordingly, the West Virginia Plaintiff and the members of the West Virginia Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under West Virginia Code §§ 47-18-1 *et seq*.

278.309. Plaintiff Brigid Terry ("Wisconsin Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Wisconsin.
- b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Wisconsin; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Wisconsin; (3) the Wisconsin Plaintiff and members of the Wisconsin Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Wisconsin commerce.
- d. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Wisconsin Plaintiff and members of the Wisconsin Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
- e. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in restraint of trade in violation of Wisconsin Stat. §§133.01 *et seq.* Accordingly, the Wisconsin Plaintiff and the members of the Wisconsin Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Wisconsin Stat. §§133.01 *et seq.*

310. Plaintiffs Jay Erickson, John Heenan, Donald Oelze, and Mark Wissinger ("Montana Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the

1	preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follow:
2	a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by
3	affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-
$4 \mid$	competitive levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold, distributed or
5	obtained in Montana.
6	b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT
7	price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout
8	Montana; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and stabilized at
9	artificially high levels throughout Montana; and (3) the Montana Plaintiffs and
10	members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive,
11	artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
12	c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
13	Montana commerce.
14	d. The foregoing conduct constitutes an unlawful restraint of trade within the
15	meaning of Montana Code § 30-14-205.
16	e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the
17	Montana Plaintiffs and the members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser Class
18	have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with
19	further injury, and accordingly, the Montana Plaintiffs and the members of the
20	Montana Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under
21	Montana Code § 30-14-201, et seq.
22	311. Plaintiffs Felecia Blackwood and Jeff Johnson ("South Carolina Plaintiffs")
23	incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this
24	Complaint and further allege as follows:
25	a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, enter into a continuing agreement,
26	understanding, contract, combination in the form of trust or otherwise, or
27	conspiracy in restraint of trade or commerce to artificially fix, raise, stabilize,
28	control, and peg prices for CRT Products in the State of South Carolina.

1	b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT
2	Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
3	throughout South Carolina; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed,
4	maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout South
5	Carolina; and (3) the South Carolina Plaintiffs and members of the South
6	Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated
7	prices for CRT Products.
8	c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
9	South Carolina commerce.
10	d. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into an arrangement,
11	agreement, trust or combination adversely affecting competition or price
12	within the meaning of S.C. Code Ann. § 39-3-10.
13	f.e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the South
14	Carolina Plaintiffs and the members of the South Carolina Indirect Purchase
15	Class have been injured in their business and property and are threatened with
16	further injury. Accordingly, the South Carolina Plaintiffs and members of the
17	South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available
18	under S.C. Code Ann. § 39-3-10, et seq.
19	312. Plaintiff Tyler Ayres ("Utah Plaintiff") incorporates and realleges each and every
20	allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:
21	a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by
22	affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-
23	competitive levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold, distributed or
24	obtained in Utah.
25	b. Defendants' combinations or conspiracies had the following effects: (1) CRT
26	Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
27	throughout Utah; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained, and
28	stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Utah; and (3) the Utah Plaintiff

1	and members of the Utah Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive,
2	artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
3	c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
4	<u>Utah commerce.</u>
5	d. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have entered into agreements in
6	restraint of trade within the meaning of Utah Code Ann. § 76-10-3104.4
7	e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Utah
8	Plaintiff and the members of the Utah Indirect Purchaser Class have been
9	injured in their business and property and are threatened with further injury.
10	Accordingly, the Utah Plaintiff and the members of the Utah Indirect
11	Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Utah Code Ann. § 76-
12	<u>10-3101, et seq.</u>
13	C. Third Claim for Relief: Violation of State Consumer Protection and Unfair
14	Competition Statutes
15	Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege, as though fully set forth herein, each
16	and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.
17	280.314. Defendants engaged in unfair competition or unfair, unconscionable,
18	deceptive, or fraudulent acts or practices in violation of the state consumer protection and unfair
19	competition statutes listed below.
20	281.315. The California Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege, as though fully set forth
21	herein, each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint, and
22	further allege as follows:
23	a. Beginning on a date unknown to Plaintiffs, but at least as early as March 1,
24	1995, and continuing thereafter at least up through and including November
25	25, 2007, Defendants committed and continue to commit acts of unfair
26	competition, as defined by Sections 17200, et seq. of the California Business
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28	⁴ In compliance with Utah Code Ann. § 76-10-3109, a copy of this complaint is being mailed to

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- and Professions Code, by engaging in the acts and practices specified above.
- b. This claim is instituted pursuant to Sections 17203 and 17204 of the California Business and Professions Code, to obtain restitution from these Defendants for acts, as alleged herein, that violated Section 17200 of the California Business and Professions Code, commonly known as the Unfair Competition Law.
- c. The Defendants' conduct as alleged herein violated Section 17200. The acts, omissions, misrepresentations, practices and non-disclosures of Defendants, as alleged herein, constituted a common continuous and continuing course of conduct of unfair competition by means of unfair, unlawful and/or fraudulent business acts or practices within the meaning of California Business and Professions Code, Section 17200, *et seq.*, including, but not limited to, the following: (1) the violations of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, as set forth above; (2) the violations of Section 16720, *et seq.*, of the California Business and Professions Code, set forth above;
- d. Defendants' acts, omissions, misrepresentations, practices and non-disclosures, as described above, whether or not in violation of Section16720, et seq. of the California Business and Professions Code, and whether or not concerted or independent acts, are otherwise unfair, unconscionable, unlawful or fraudulent; Defendants' act and practices are unfair to consumers of CRT Products in the State of California and throughout the United States, within the meaning of Section 17200, California Business and Professions Code; and
- e. Defendants' acts and practices are fraudulent or deceptive within the meaning of Section 17200 of the California Business and Professions Code.
- f. California Plaintiffs and each of the California Indirect Purchaser Class members are entitled to full restitution and/or disgorgement of all revenues, earnings, profits, compensation, and benefits that may have been obtained by Defendants as a result of such business acts or practices.

- g. The illegal conduct alleged herein is continuing and there is no indication that

 Defendants will not continue such activity into the future.
- h. The unlawful and unfair business practices of Defendants, and each of them, as described above, have caused and continue to cause the California Plaintiffs and the members of the California Indirect Purchaser Class to pay supracompetitive and artificially-inflated prices for CRT Products. The California Plaintiffs and the members of the Class suffered injury in fact and lost money or property as a result of such unfair competition.
- The conduct of Defendants as alleged in this Complaint violates Section
 17200 of the California Business and Professions Code.
- j. As alleged in this Complaint, Defendants and their co-conspirators have been unjustly enriched as a result of their wrongful conduct and by Defendants' unfair competition. The California Plaintiffs and the members of the California Indirect Purchaser Class are accordingly entitled to equitable relief including restitution and/or disgorgement of all revenues, earnings, profits, compensation and benefits which may have been obtained by Defendants as a result of such business practices, pursuant to California Business & Professions Code §17200 et seq.

282.316. Plaintiff David Rooks ("Florida Plaintiff") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Florida.
- b. The foregoing conduct constitutes "unfair methods of competition," and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce" within the meaning of Florida Stat. § 501.204.

- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Florida commerce and consumers.
- d. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Florida; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Florida; (3) the Florida Plaintiff and members of the Florida Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Florida Plaintiffs and members of the Florida Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the Florida Plaintiff and members of the Florida Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and are threatened with further injury.
- f. Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Florida Stat. § 501.201 *et seq.*, and accordingly, the Florida Plaintiffs and members of the Florida Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under that statute.

283.317. The **Hawaii Plaintiff** incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Hawaii.
- b. b. The foregoing conduct constitutes "unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce" within the meaning of Hawaii Rev. Stat. § 480-2.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Hawaii commerce and consumers.

- d. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Hawaii; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Hawaii; (3) the Hawaii Plaintiff and members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Hawaii Plaintiff and members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the Hawaii Plaintiff and members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and are threatened with further injury.
- f. Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Hawaii Rev. Stat. § 480-2. Accordingly, the Hawaii Plaintiff and members of the Hawaii Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under Hawaii Rev Stat. § 480 *et seq*.

284.318. The **Nebraska Plaintiffs** incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Nebraska.
- b. The foregoing conduct constitutes "unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce" within the meaning of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 59-1602.
- c. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected Nebraska commerce and consumers.
- d. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout

Nebraska; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Nebraska; (3) the Nebraska Plaintiff and members of the Nebraska Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Nebraska Plaintiff and members of the Nebraska Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.

- e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the Nebraska

 Plaintiff and members of the Nebraska Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and are threatened with further injury.
- f. Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 59-1601 et seq., and accordingly, the Nebraska Plaintiff and members of the Nebraska Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under that statute.

285.319. The **New Mexico Plaintiff** incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in New Mexico.
- b. Defendants also took efforts to conceal their agreements from the New
 Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class.
- c. The foregoing conduct constitutes "unfair or deceptive trade practices" and "unconscionable trade practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce" within the meaning of New Mexico Stat. § 57-12-3, in that such conduct resulted in a gross disparity between the value received by New Mexico Plaintiffs and the members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class and the prices paid by them for CRT Products as set forth in New Mexico Stat. § 57-12-2E.

- d. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected
 New Mexico commerce and consumers.
- e. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout New Mexico; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout New Mexico; (3) the New Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the New Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- f. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the New Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and are threatened with further injury.
- g. Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of New Mexico Stat. § 57-12-1 *et seq.*, and accordingly, the New Mexico Plaintiff and members of the New Mexico Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under that statute.

286.320. The **New York Plaintiffs** incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in New York.
- b. Defendants also took efforts to conceal their agreements from the New York Plaintiffs and members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class.
- c. Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected New York commerce and consumers.
- d. The conduct of Defendants as described herein constitutes consumer-oriented

- deceptive acts or practices within the meaning of N.Y. Gen. Bus. Law § 349, which resulted in consumer injury and broad adverse impact on the public at large, and harmed the public interest of New York State in an honest marketplace in which economic activity is conducted in a competitive manner.
- e. As consumers, the New York Plaintiffs and the members of the New York
 Indirect Purchaser Class were targets of the conspiracy.
- f. Defendants' secret agreements as described herein were not known to the New York Plaintiffs or the members New York Indirect Purchaser Class.
- g. Defendants made public statements about the price of CRT Products that

 Defendants knew would be seen by the New York Plaintiffs and the members

 of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class; such statements either omitted

 material information that rendered these statements that they made materially

 misleading or affirmatively misrepresented the real cause of price increases

 for CRT Products; and, Defendants alone possessed material information that

 was relevant to consumers, but failed to provide the information.
- h. Because of Defendants' unlawful trade practices in the State of New York, there was a broad impact on the New York Plaintiffs and the members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class who indirectly purchased CRT Products; and the New York Plaintiffs and the members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured because they have paid more for CRT Products than they would have paid in the absence of Defendants' unlawful trade acts and practices, and are threatened with further injury.
- i. Because of Defendants' unlawful trade practices in the State of New York, the New York Plaintiffs and the members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class who indirectly purchased CRT Products were misled to believe that they were paying a fair price for CRT Products, or that the price increases for CRT Products were for valid business reasons.
- j. Defendants knew that their unlawful trade practices with respect to pricing of

CRT Products would have an impact on the New York Plaintiffs and the members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class and not just Defendants' direct customers;

- k. Defendants knew that their unlawful trade practices with respect to pricing of CRT Products would have a broad impact, causing consumer class members who indirectly purchased CRT Products to be injured by paying more for CRT Products than they would have paid in the absence of Defendants' unlawful trade acts and practices.
- During the Class Period, each of the Defendants named herein, directly or indirectly through affiliates they dominated and controlled, manufactured, sold and/or distributed CRT Products in New York.
- m. The New York Plaintiffs and members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class seek actual damages for their injuries caused by these violations in an amount to be determined at trial. Without prejudice to their contention that Defendants' unlawful conduct was willful and knowing, the New York Plaintiffs and members of the New York Indirect Purchaser Class do not seek in this action to have those damages trebled pursuant to N.Y. Gen. Bus. Law § 349 (h).

287.321. The **North Carolina Plaintiff** incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

- a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in North Carolina.
- Defendants also took efforts to conceal their agreements from the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class.
- c. The conduct of Defendants as described herein constitutes consumer-oriented

deceptive acts or practices within the meaning of North Carolina Gen. Stat. §75-1.1 *et seq.*, which resulted in consumer injury and broad adverse impact on the public at large, and harmed the public interest of North Carolina consumers in an honest marketplace in which economic activity is conducted in a competitive manner.

- d. During the Class Period, Defendants' illegal conduct substantially affected

 North Carolina commerce and consumers.
- e. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout North Carolina; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout North Carolina; (3) the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- f. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and are threatened with further injury.
- g. During the Class Period, each of the Defendants named herein, directly or indirectly through affiliates they dominated and controlled, manufactured, sold and/or distributed CRT Products in North Carolina.
- h. Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of North Carolina Gen. Stat. § 75-1.1 *et seq.*, and accordingly, the North Carolina Plaintiff and members of the North Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under that statute.

288.322. The **Vermont Plaintiff** incorporates and realleges each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:

a. Defendants agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by

- affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or noncompetitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in Vermont.
- b. Defendants deliberately failed to disclose material facts to the Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class concerning Defendants' unlawful activities and artificially inflated prices for CRT Products. Defendants owed a duty to disclose such facts, and considering the relative lack of sophistication of the average, non-business consumer, Defendants breached that duty by their silence. Defendants misrepresented to all consumers during the Class Period that Defendants CRT Product prices were competitive and fair.
- c. Because of Defendants' unlawful and unscrupulous trade practices in Vermont, the Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class who indirectly purchased CRT Products were misled or deceived to believe that they were paying a fair price for CRT Products or that the price increases for CRT Products were for valid business reasons.
- d. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Vermont; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Vermont; (3) the Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
- e. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' illegal conduct, the Vermont
 Plaintiff and the members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class suffered an
 ascertainable loss of money or property as a result of Defendants' use or
 employment of unconscionable and deceptive commercial practices as set

- forth above. That loss was caused by Defendants' willful and deceptive conduct, as described herein.
- f. Defendants' misleading conduct and unconscionable activities constitutes unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Vermont Stat. Ann. Title 9, § 2451 *et seq.*, and accordingly, Vermont Plaintiff and members of the Vermont Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under that statute.
- 323. Plaintiffs Nikki Crawley, Steven Harrelson and William J. Trentham (the "Arkansas Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:
 - a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint
 of trade or commerce in a market which includes Arkansas by affecting,
 fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-competitive
 levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold, distributed or obtained in
 Arkansas.
 - b. The foregoing conduct was unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive within the conduct of trade or commerce within Arkansas.
 - c. Defendants' conduct misled consumers, withheld material facts, and resulted in material misrepresentations concerning Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful activities and artificially inflated prices for CRTs to the Arkansas Plaintiffs and members of the Arkansas Indirect Purchaser Class.
 Defendants misrepresented to all consumers during the Class Period that
 Defendants' and their co-conspirators' CRT prices were competitive and fair.
 - d. Defendants and their co-conspirators made public statements that Defendants knew would be seen by the Arkansas Plaintiffs and members of the Arkansas Indirect Purchaser Class; such statements created a likelihood of confusion or misunderstanding with respect to the real reasons that the prices of CRTs were rising; and, such statements either omitted material information that rendered

1	the statements materially misleading and confusing, or affirmatively deceived
2	such consumers about the real cause of price increases for CRTs.
3	e. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' deception, including their affirmative
$_4$	misrepresentations and/or omissions concerning the price of CRTs, constitutes
5	information necessary to Plaintiff and members of the Arkansas Indirect
6	Purchaser Class relating to the cost of CRT Products purchased.
7	f. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' conduct was knowing and willful.
8	g. Defendants' violations adversely affected public policy in Arkansas.
9	h. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT Product
10	price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout
11	Arkansas; (2) CRT Product prices were raised, fixed, maintained and
12	stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Arkansas; (3) the Arkansas
13	Plaintiff and members of the Arkansas Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived
14	of free and open competition; and (4) the Arkansas Plaintiff and the members
15	of the Arkansas Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially
16	inflated prices for CRT Products.
17	g.i. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, and as a result of
18	their reliance on Defendants' conduct, the Arkansas Plaintiff and the members
19	of the Arkansas Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured in their business
20	and property, suffered an actual financial loss, and are threatened with further
21	<u>injury.</u>
22	j. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have engaged in deceptive and
23	unconscionable trade practices in violation of Arkansas Code Ann. § 4-88-
24	107, and accordingly, the Arkansas Plaintiff and members of the Arkansas
25	Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under that statute.
26	324. Plaintiffs Warren Cutlip, Harry Garavanian, Anthony Gianasca, Hope Hitchcock
27	and Gary Talewsky (the "Massachusetts Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every
28	allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:
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1	h-a. Defendants and their co-conspirators were engaged in trade or commerce
2	within the meaning of Massachusetts Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 93A.
3	i.b. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint
4	of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling, and/or maintaining, at
5	artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold,
6	distributed or obtained in Massachusetts.
7	c. Defendants and their co-conspirators took efforts to conceal their agreements
8	from the Massachusetts Plaintiffs and members of the Massachusetts Indirect
9	Purchaser Class in Massachusetts.
10	j.d. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' conduct was knowing and willful.
11	k.e.The foregoing conduct constitutes unfair competition or unfair or deceptive
12	acts or practices within the meaning of Massachusetts Gen. Laws ch. 93A, § 2
13	<u>et seq.</u>
14	Lf. During the Class Period, Defendants' and their co-conspirators' illegal
15	conduct substantially affected Massachusetts commerce and consumers.
16	m.g. Defendants' unlawful conduct had the following effects: (1) CRT price
17	competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout
18	Massachusetts; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at
19	artificially high levels throughout Massachusetts; (3) the Massachusetts
20	Plaintiffs and members of the Massachusetts Indirect Purchaser Class were
21	deprived of free and open competition in Massachusetts; and (4) the
22	Massachusetts Plaintiff and members of the Massachusetts Indirect Purchaser
23	Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products in
24	Massachusetts.
25	n.h.As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the Massachusetts
26	Plaintiffs and members of the Massachusetts Indirect Purchaser Class have
27	been injured and have suffered an ascertainable loss of money or property in
28	Massachusetts.

- e-i. On or before July 15, 2019, in compliance with Massachusetts Gen. Laws ch.

 93A § 9, Plaintiffs sent by certified mail a written demand for relief to each of
 the Defendants named herein, which (1) identified the Massachusetts

 Plaintiffs; (2) reasonably described the unfair or deceptive acts and practices
 and the injury suffered; and (3) requested that Defendants make a reasonable,
 class-wide tender of settlement.
- j. Under Massachusetts law a demand letter that identifies the particularized injuries of one class representative claimant and gives notice to the defendant of the pendency of the class action is sufficient.
- k. Each Defendant received multiple pre-suit demands issued pursuant to Mass.

 Gen. Laws ch. 93A that gave adequate notice of the claims of the putative

 Massachusetts class, identifying the issuers of the demand as end-use

 purchasers of CRTs during the putative class period and reasonably describing

 how they suffered damages and providing them with notice that the harm

 occurred within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts within the class period.

 The notices also clearly referenced MDL No. 1917 and the procedural history

 of their claims.
- 1. Plaintiffs also encouraged each Defendant to make a reasonable settlement offer. Therefore, each of the Plaintiffs' demand letters sufficiently described the claimants, the unfair or deceptive practice, and the injury suffered with enough detail for each Defendant to ascertain its exposure and to initiate negotiations.
- m. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants knowingly or willingly have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Massachusetts Gen. Laws ch. 93A § 2, et seq. Accordingly, the Massachusetts Plaintiffs and members of the Massachusetts Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under that statute, including under § 11 for those members who engage in the conduct of a trade or commerce and under § 9 for

1	price of CRTs were deceptive as they had the tendency or capacity to mislead
2	the Missouri Plaintiffs and the members of the Missouri Indirect Purchaser
3	Class to believe they were purchasing CRTs at prices established by a free and
4	<u>fair market.</u>
5	g. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful conduct had the following
6	effects: (1) CRT price competition was restrained, suppressed and eliminated
7	throughout Missouri; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed, maintained and
8	stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Missouri; (3) the Missouri
9	Plaintiffs and members of the Missouri Indirect Purchaser Class were
10	deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Missouri Plaintiffs and
11	members of the Missouri Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive,
12	artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
13	d. The foregoing conduct constitutes unlawful practices within the meaning of
14	Missouri Rev. Stat. § 407.010, et seq., specifically § 407.020.
15	e.h. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the
16	Missouri Plaintiffs and members of the Missouri Indirect Purchaser Class
17	have been injured and have suffered an ascertainable loss of money or
18	property. Accordingly, the Missouri Plaintiffs and members of the Missouri
19	Indirect Purchaser Class seek all relief available under Missouri Rev. Stat. §
20	407.010, et seq., including under § 407.025, and as further interpreted by the
21	Missouri Code of State Regulations, 15 CSR 60-7.010, et seq., 15 CSR 60-
22	8.010, et seq., and 15 CSR 60-9.010, et seq.
23	290.326. The Montana Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege each and every allegation
24	set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:
25	a. The Montana Plaintiffs and members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser Class
26	purchased CRT Products primarily for personal, family, or household
27	purposes.
28	a.b.Defendants and their co-conspirators were engaged in trade or commerce
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1	within the meaning of Montana Code Ann. § 30-14-101, et seq.	
2	b.c.Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint	
3	of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at	
4	artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold,	
5	distributed or obtained in Montana.	
6	e.d.Defendants and their co-conspirators took efforts to conceal their agreements	
7	from the Montana Plaintiffs and members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser	
8	<u>Class.</u>	
9	d.e.Defendants' and their co-conspirators' combinations or conspiracies had the	
10	following effects: (1) CRT price competition was restrained, suppressed, and	
11	eliminated throughout Montana; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed,	
12	maintained, and stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Montana; (3)	
13	the Montana Plaintiffs and members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser Class	
14	were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Montana Plaintiffs	
15	and members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive,	
16	artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.	
17	e.f. The foregoing conduct constitutes unfair methods of competition or unfair	
18	deceptive acts or practices within the meaning of Mont. Code Ann. § 30-14-	
19	<u>103.</u>	
20	g. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unlawful conduct, the	
21	Montana Plaintiffs and members of the Montana Indirect Purchaser Class	
22	have been injured and have suffered an ascertainable loss of money or	
23	property. Accordingly, the Montana Plaintiffs and the members of the	
24	Montana Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under	
25	Mont. Code Ann. § 30-14-101, et seq.	
26	291.327. Plaintiffs Jeff Craig, George Maglaras, Jeff Schapira and Chris Seufert (the	
27	"New Hampshire Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the	
28	preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:	
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been injured and have suffered an ascertainable loss of money or property.

i. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of New Hampshire Rev. Stat. Ann. § 358-A:2. Accordingly, the New Hampshire Plaintiffs and the members of the New Hampshire Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under New Hampshire Rev. Stat. Ann. § 358-A:10 and 358-A:10-a.

292,328. Plaintiffs D. Bruce Johnson and Walker, Warren and Watkins, LLC (the "Oregon Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:

- a. With respect to natural persons, Defendants Chunghwa, Tatung America, IRICO, Thai CRT, Daewoo, Samsung, Thomson, Videocon, and all other defendants who are not a party to the final settlement of claims brought under Or. Rev. Stat § 646.725, et seq. by the Oregon Attorney General and approved by the court in Case No. 1208 10246 (Or. Cir. Ct.) ("Oregon Natural Person Defendants"), and with respect to non-natural persons, Defendants, and their co-conspirators, agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed, or obtained in Oregon.
- b. By reason of the conduct alleged herein, Oregon Natural Person Defendants
 and Defendants have violated Or. Rev. Stat. § 646.608, et seq. 5
- b.c. Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their co-conspirators'

 conduct was conducted with intent to deceive Oregon consumers regarding

 the nature of Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their coconspirators' actions within the stream of Oregon commerce.

⁵ In compliance with ORS § 646.638(2), a copy of this complaint is being mailed to the Oregon Attorney General in conjunction with its filing.

- d. Oregon Natural Person Defendants, Defendants and their co-conspirators
 made public statements they knew would be seen by the Oregon Plaintiffs and
 members of the Oregon Indirect Purchaser Class. Such statements created a
 likelihood of confusion or misunderstanding with respect to the real reasons
 the prices of CRTs and CRT Products were rising, and such statements either
 omitted material information that rendered the statements materially
 misleading and confusing, or affirmative deceived such consumers about the
 real cause of price increases for CRTs and CRT Products.
- e. Because of Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their coconspirators' unlawful and unconscionable trade practices in Oregon, the
 Oregon Plaintiffs and members of the Oregon Indirect Purchaser Class were
 misled or deceived to believe they were paying a fair price for CRT Products
 or that the price increases for CRTs and CRT Products were for valid business
 reasons.
- f. Oregon Natural Person Defendants, Defendants and their co-conspirators

 knew that their violations with respect to the pricing of CRTs would have a

 broad impact, causing persons who indirectly purchased CRTs and CRT

 Products to be injured by paying more for CRT Products than they would

 have paid in the absence of Oregon Natural Person Defendants' and

 Defendants' unlawful and unconscionable trade acts and practices.
- g. Oregon Natural Person Defendants' and Defendants' conduct was unfair or deceptive within the conduct of commerce or business within the State of Oregon.
- h. Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their co-conspirators'
 conduct misled Oregon consumers, withheld material facts, and had a direct or
 indirect impact upon the ability of Oregon Plaintiffs and members of the
 Oregon Indirect Purchaser Class to protect themselves.
- i. Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their co-conspirators'

1	violations substantially affected Oregon's trade and commerce.	
2	e.j. Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their co-conspirators'	
3	illegal conduct had a substantial effect on Oregon commerce and consumers,	
4	including the Oregon Plaintiffs and members of the Oregon Indirect Purchase	
5	<u>Class.</u>	
6	d.k.Oregon Natural Person Defendants', Defendants' and their co-conspirators'	
7	unlawful conduct had the following effects (1) CRT price competition was	
8	restrained, suppressed, and eliminated throughout Oregon; (2) CRT prices	
9	were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized at artificially high levels	
10	throughout Oregon (3) the Oregon Plaintiffs and members of the Oregon	
11	Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open competition; and (4)	
12	the Oregon Plaintiffs and members of the Oregon Indirect Purchaser Class	
13	paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.	
14	e.l. As a direct and proximate result of Oregon Natural Person Defendants' and	
15	Defendants' unlawful conduct, the Oregon Plaintiffs and members of the	
16	Oregon Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and have suffered an	
17	ascertainable loss of money or property. That loss was caused by Oregon	
18	Natural Person Defendants' and Defendants' willful and deceptive conduct, as	
19	described herein.	
20	m. By reason of the foregoing, Oregon Natural Person Defendants and	
21	Defendants have engaged in unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation	
22	of Or. Rev. Stat. § 646.608, and accordingly, the Oregon Plaintiffs and	
23	members of the Oregon Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief	
24	available under Or. Rev. Stat. § 646.638.	
25	293.329. Plaintiffs Susan LaPage, Donna Muccino and Kerry Murphy ("the Rhode	
26	Island Plaintiffs") incorporate and reallege each and every allegation set forth in the preceding	
27	paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:	
28	a. The Rhode Island Plaintiffs and members of the Rhode Island Indirect	

1	Purchaser Class purchased CRT Products primarily for personal, family or	
2	household purposes.	
3	a.b.Defendants and their co-conspirators were engaged in trade or commerce	
4	within the meaning of Rhode Island Gen. Laws § 6-13.1, et seq.	
5	b.c.Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint	
6	of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at	
7	artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold,	
8	distributed, or obtained in Rhode Island.	
9	e.d.Defendants and their co-conspirators deliberately failed to disclose material	
10	facts to the Rhode Island Plaintiffs and members of the Rhode Island Indirect	
11	Purchaser Class concerning Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful	
12	activities and artificially inflated prices for CRTs. Defendants and their co-	
13	conspirators owed a duty to disclose such facts, and considering the relative	
14	lack of sophistication of the average, non-business consumer, Defendants and	
15	their co-conspirators breached that duty by their silence. Defendants	
16	misrepresented to all consumers during the Class Period that Defendants' and	
17	their co-conspirators' CRT prices were competitive and fair.	
18	d.e.Defendants and their co-conspirators made public statements that Defendants	
19	knew would be seen by the Rhode Island Plaintiffs and members of the Rhode	
20	Island Indirect Purchaser Class who indirectly purchased CRT Products	
21	primarily for personal, family or household purposes; such statements created	
22	a likelihood of confusion or misunderstanding with respect to the real reasons	
23	that the prices of CRTs were rising; and, such statements either omitted	
24	material information that rendered the statements materially misleading and	
25	confusing, or affirmatively deceived such consumers about the real cause of	
26	price increases for CRTs.	
27	e.f. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' deception, including its affirmative	
28	misrepresentations and/or omissions concerning the price of CRTs, constitutes	

1	information necessary to Plaintiff and members of the Rhode Island Indirect	
2	Purchaser Class relating to the cost of CRT Products purchased.	
3	f.g. Because of Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful and unscrupulous	
4	trade practices in Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Plaintiffs and members of	
5	the Rhode Island Indirect Purchaser Class were misled or deceived to believe	
6	they were paying a fair price for CRT Products or that the price increases for	
7	CRTs were for valid business reasons.	
8	h. Defendants and their co-conspirators knew that their its unscrupulous and	
9	unlawful trade practices with respect to pricing CRTs would have an impact	
10	on Rhode Island persons who indirectly purchased CRT Products primarily	
11	for personal, family or household purposes and not just Defendants' direct	
12	<u>customers.</u>	
13	i. Defendants and their co-conspirators knew that its violations with respect to	
14	pricing of CRTs would have a broad impact, causing natural persons who	
15	indirectly purchased CRT Products primarily for personal, family or	
16	household purposes to be injured by paying more for CRT Products than they	
17	would have paid in the absence of Defendants' unlawful trade acts and	
18	practices.	
19	j. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' violations adversely affected public	
20	policy in Rhode Island.	
21	g.k.The foregoing constitutes unfair methods of competition or unfair or deceptive	
22	acts or practices within the meaning of Rhode Island Gen. Laws § 6-13.1-2.	
23	h.l. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful conduct had the following	
24	effects (1) CRT price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated	
25	throughout Rhode Island; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed, maintained and	
26	stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Rhode Island (3) the Rhode	
27	Island Plaintiffs and members of the Rhode Island Indirect Purchaser Class	
28	were deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the Rhode Island	
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1	Plaintiffs and members of the Rhode Island Indirect Purchaser Class paid	
2	supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.	
3	i.m. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, including	
4	Defendants' use of employment of unconscionable and deceptive commercial	
5	practices set forth above, the Rhode Island Plaintiffs and members of the	
6	Rhode Island Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and have suffered an	
7	ascertainable loss of money or property. That loss was caused by Defendants'	
8	willful and deceptive conduct as set forth herein.	
9	n. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have engaged in unfair competition or	
10	unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Rhode Island Gen. Laws §	
11	6-13.1-1, et seq., and accordingly, the Rhode Island Plaintiffs and members of	
12	the Rhode Island Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available	
13	under that statute.	
14	294.330. The South Carolina Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege each and every	
15	allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows:	
15 16	allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further allege as follows: a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint	
16	a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint	
16 17	a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at	
16 17 18	a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products	
16 17 18 19	a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in South Carolina.	
16 17 18 19 20	 a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRT Products were sold, distributed or obtained in South Carolina. b. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' conduct was willful. 	
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1	Defendants and their co-conspirators breached that duty by their silence.
2	Defendants misrepresented to all consumers during the Class Period that
3	Defendants' CRT prices were competitive and fair.
4	e. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' deception, including its affirmative
5	misrepresentations and/or omissions concerning the price of CRTs, constitutes
6	information necessary to the South Carolina Plaintiff and members of the
7	South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class relating to the cost of CRT Products
8	purchased.
9	e-f. Because of Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful and unscrupulous
10	trade practices in South Carolina, the South Carolina Plaintiff and members of
11	the South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class who indirectly purchased CRTs
12	were misled or deceived to believe that they were paying a fair price for CRT
13	Products or that the price increases for CRTs were for valid business reasons.
14	d.g.Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful conduct had the following
15	effects: (1) CRT price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
16	throughout South Carolina; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed, maintained and
17	stabilized at artificially high levels throughout Utah; (3) the South Carolina
18	Plaintiff and members of the South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class were
19	deprived of free and open competition; and (4) the South Carolina Plaintiff
20	and members of the South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class paid
21	supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT Products.
22	e.h. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the South Carolina
23	Plaintiff and members of the South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class have
24	been injured and have suffered an ascertainable loss of money or property as a
25	result of Defendants' use or employment of unconscionable and deceptive
26	commercial practices as set forth above. That loss was caused by Defendants'
27	willful and deceptive conduct, as described herein.
28	i. Defendants' misleading conduct and unconscionable activities constitute

1	unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of South	
2	Carolina Code Ann. 39-5-10, et seq., and accordingly, the South Carolina	
3	Plaintiff and the members of the South Carolina Indirect Purchaser Class so	
4	all forms of relief available under that statute.	
5	295.331. The Utah Plaintiff incorporates and realleges each and every allegation se	
6	forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint and further alleges as follows:	
7	a. Defendants and their co-conspirators agreed to, and did in fact, act in restraint	
8	of trade or commerce by affecting, fixing, controlling and/or maintaining, at	
9	artificial and/or non-competitive levels, the prices at which CRTs were sold,	
10	distributed or obtained in Utah.	
11	b. Defendants and their co-conspirators were engaged in trade or commerce as	
12	suppliers for consumer transactions within the meaning of Utah Code Ann. §	
13	<u>13-11-3.</u>	
14	c. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' conduct was unfair, unconscionable or	
15	deceptive within the conduct of commerce within the State of Utah.	
16	d. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' conduct and/or practices were	
17	unconscionable and were undertaken in connection with consumer	
18	transactions.	
19	e. Defendants and their co-conspirators knew or had reason to know that its	
20	conduct was unconscionable.	
21	f. Defendants and their co-conspirators knew that their violations with respect to	
22	pricing of CRTs would have a broad impact, causing persons who indirectly	
23	purchased CRT Products primarily for personal, family or household purpose	
24	to be injured by paying more for CRT Products than they would have paid in	
25	the absence of Defendants' unlawful trade acts and practices.	
26	g. Defendants and their co-conspirators deliberately failed to disclose material	
27	facts to the Utah Plaintiffs and members of the Utah Indirect Purchaser Class	
28	concerning Defendants' unlawful activities and artificially inflated prices for	

1	CRTs. Defendants and their co-conspirators owed a duty to disclose such
2	facts, and considering the relative lack of sophistication of the average
3	consumer, Defendants and their co-conspirators breached that duty by their
$4 \mid$	silence. Defendants and their co-conspirators misrepresented to all consumers
5	during the Class Period that Defendants' CRT prices were competitive and
6	<u>fair.</u>
7	a.h. Because of Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful and
8	unconscionable trade practices in Utah, the Utah Plaintiff and members of the
9	Utah Indirect Purchaser Class who indirectly purchased CRTs were misled or
10	deceived to believe that they were paying a fair price for CRT Products or that
11	the price increases for CRTs were for valid business reasons.
12	b.i. Defendants' and their co-conspirators' unlawful conduct had the following
13	effects: (1) CRT price competition was restrained, suppressed, and eliminated
14	throughout Utah; (2) CRT prices were raised, fixed, maintained and stabilized
15	at artificially high levels throughout Utah; (3) the Utah Plaintiff and members
16	of the Utah Indirect Purchaser Class were deprived of free and open
17	competition; and (4) the Utah Plaintiff and members of the Utah Indirect
18	Purchaser Class paid supracompetitive, artificially inflated prices for CRT
19	Products.
20	e-j. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, the Utah Plaintiff
21	and members of the Utah Indirect Purchaser Class have been injured and have
22	suffered an ascertainable loss of money or property as a result of Defendants'
23	use or employment of unconscionable and deceptive commercial practices as
24	set forth herein. That loss was caused by Defendants' willful and deceptive
25	conduct as set forth herein.
26	k. Defendants' misleading conduct and unconscionable activities constitute
27	unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Utah
28	Code Ann. § 13-11-1, et seq., and accordingly, the Utah Plaintiff and the
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1	d.h.By reason of the foregoing, the Utah Plaintiff and members of the Utah		
2	Indirect Purchaser Class seek all forms of relief available under Utah Code		
3	<u>Ann. §§ 13-5-14, et seq.</u>		
4	D. Fourth Claim for Relief: Unjust Enrichment and Disgorgement of Profits		
5	296.333. Plaintiffs incorporate and reallege, as though fully set forth herein, each		
6	and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.		
7	297.334. Defendants have been unjustly enriched through overpayments by		
8	Plaintiffs and the Class members and the resulting profits.		
9	298.335. Under common law principles of unjust enrichment, Defendants should no		
10	be permitted to retain the benefits conferred via overpayments by Plaintiffs and class members in		
11	the following states: Arkansas, Arizona, California, District of Columbia, Iowa, Maine,		
12	Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode		
13	Island, South Carolina, and South Dakota, and Utah.		
14	299.336. Plaintiffs and class members in each of the states listed above seek		
15	disgorgement of all profits resulting for such overpayments and establishment of a constructive		
16	trust from which Plaintiffs and the Class members may seek restitution.		
17	XII. <u>FRAUDULENT CONCEALMENT</u>		
18	300.337. Throughout the relevant period, Defendants affirmatively and fraudulently		
19	concealed their unlawful conduct against Plaintiffs and the Classes.		
20	301.338. Plaintiffs and members of the Class did not discover,-and could not		
21	discover through the exercise of reasonable diligence, that Defendants were violating the law as		
22	alleged herein until shortly before this litigation was commenced. Nor could Plaintiffs and the		
23	Class members have discovered the violations earlier than that time because Defendants		
24	conducted their conspiracy in secret, concealed the nature of their unlawful conduct and acts in		
25	furtherance thereof, and fraudulently concealed their activities through various other means and		
26	methods designed to avoid detection. In addition, the conspiracy was by its nature self-		
27	concealing.		
28	302.339. Defendants engaged in a successful, illegal price-fixing conspiracy with 121		

1	respect to CRT Products, which they affirmatively concealed, in at least the following respects:		
2	a. By agreeing among themselves not to discuss publicly, or otherwise		
3	reveal, the nature and substance of the acts and communications in furtherance of their illegal		
4	scheme, and by agreeing to expel those who failed to do so;		
5	b. By agreeing among themselves to limit the number of representatives from		
6	each Defendant attending the meetings so as to avoid detection;		
7	c. By agreeing among themselves to refrain from listing the individual		
8	representatives of the Defendants in attendance at meetings in any meeting report;		
9	d. By agreeing among themselves to refrain from taking meeting minutes or		
10	taking any kind of written notes during the meetings;		
11	e. By giving false and pretextual reasons for their CRT Product price		
12	increases during the relevant period and by describing such pricing falsely as being the result of		
13	external costs rather than collusion;		
14	f. By agreeing among themselves on what to tell their customers about price		
15	changes, and agreeing upon which attendee would communicate the price change to which		
16	customer;		
17	g. By agreeing among themselves to quote higher prices to certain customers		
18	than the fixed price in effect to give the appearance that the price was not fixed;		
19	h. By agreeing among themselves upon the content of public statements		
20	regarding capacity and supply;		
21	i. By agreeing among themselves to eliminate references in expense reports		
22	which might reveal the existence of their unlawful meetings; and		
23	j. By agreeing on other means to avoid detection of their illegal conspiracy		
24	to fix the prices of CRT Products-; and		
25	j.k. By consistently denying the existence of their illegal conspiracy to fix		
26	prices of CRT Products.		
27	303.340. As a result of Defendants' fraudulent concealment of their conspiracy,		
28	Plaintiffs and the Classes assert the tolling of any applicable statute of limitations affecting the		
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rights of action of Plaintiffs and the members of the Classes.

XIII. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray as follows:

- A. That the Court determine that the claims alleged herein under the Sherman Act, state antitrust laws, state consumer protection and/or unfair competition laws may be maintained as a class action under Rule 23(a), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, as informed by the respective state class action laws;
- B. That the Court adjudge and decree that the unlawful conduct, contract, combination and conspiracy alleged herein constitutes:
 - a. A violation of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1, as alleged in the First Claim for Relief;
 - A violation of the state antitrust laws as alleged in the Second Claim for Relief;
 - A violation of the state consumer protection and unfair competition laws as alleged in the Third Claim for Relief; and
 - d. Acts of unjust enrichment as set forth in the Fourth Claim for Relief herein.
- C. That Plaintiffs and the Indirect Purchaser State Classes recover damages, as provided by the state antitrust, consumer protection, and unfair competition laws alleged herein, and that a joint and several judgment in favor of Plaintiffs and the Classes be entered against the Defendants in an amount to be trebled in accordance with such laws;
- D. That Defendants, their co-conspirators, successors, transferees, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and the officers, directors, partners, agents and employees thereof, and all other persons acting or claiming to act on behalf of Defendants, or in concert with them, be permanently enjoined and restrained from, in any manner, directly or indirectly, continuing, maintaining or renewing the combinations, conspiracy, agreement, understanding or concert of action, or adopting or following any practice, plan, program or design having a similar purpose or effect in restraining competition;
 - E. That Plaintiffs and the Classes be awarded restitution, including disgorgement of

1	profits obtained by Defendants as a result of its acts of unfair competition and acts of unjust	
2	enrichment;	
3	F. That the Court award Plaintiffs and the Classes they represent pre-judgment and	
4	post-judgment interest as permitted by law;	
5	G. That Plaintiffs and the members of the Classes recover their costs of suit, including	
6	reasonable attorneys' fees as provided by law; and	
7	H. That the Court award Plaintiffs and the Classes they represent such other and	
8	further relief as may be necessary and appropriate.	
9	XIV. <u>JURY DEMAND</u>	
10	Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury of all of the claims asserted in this Complaint so triable.	
11	Dated: August, 2019 By:	
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